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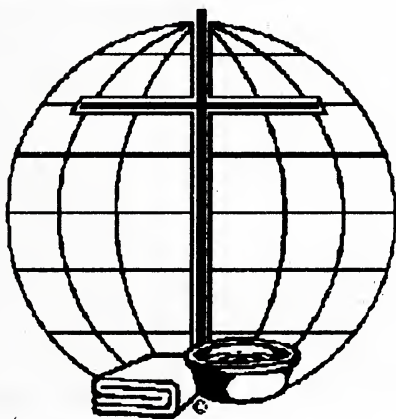
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**The 98<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the  
Convention of Original Free Will Baptists  
May 18 -20, 2010  
“Working For God With Expectations”**

**TUESDAY, May 18**

- 5:30 p.m.**                Sixth Annual Pastor’s I.M.P.A.C.T. Banquet
- 7:30 p.m.**                **Convention Worship Service - Kornegay Arena**  
                                 **Guest Speaker - Dr. Eddie Moody**

**WEDNESDAY, May 19**

- 8:00 a.m.**                Registration Opens—Kornegay Arena
- 9:00—9:15**                **Congregational Singing, Special Music**
- 9:15—10:15**            **Opening Plenary Session**
- |                                     |                              |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Call to Order                       | The Reverend Al Warrick      |
| Welcome, Scripture & Prayer         | Dr. Philip Kerstetter        |
| Greetings from the President        | The Reverend Charles Renfrow |
| Executive Committee Report          | Reverend Warrick             |
| Finance Committee Report            | The Reverend Kevin Jackson   |
| Nominating Committee Report         |                              |
| Announcements, First Readings, etc. |                              |
- Recognition of Conference Moderators,  
Fraternal Delegates /Guests                      President Renfrow
- 10:15—10:30**            **Break—VISIT THE MINISTRY DISPLAY AREA**
- 10:30—11:20**            **Worship Service – The Reverend Charles Renfrow**
- 11:20 – 11:30**            Information on Afternoon Learning Sessions
- 11:30 – 12:45**            **Lunch in the Murphy Center**
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| <p><b>1:00 – 1:50</b>                <b>Learning Session I</b></p> <p><b>2:00 – 2:50</b>                <b>Learning Session II</b></p> <p><b>3:00 – 3:50</b>                <b>Learning Session III</b></p> | <p>All Learning Sessions will be conducted in Raper Hall</p> |
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- 5:45 p.m.**                Sunday School Banquet - Murphy Center
- 7:30 p.m.**                Mission Rally Hosted by Foreign Missions

## **THURSDAY, May 20**

**8:30 a.m.**      Registration Re-opens

**9:00—10:00**      **Congregational Singing**

Scripture and Prayer - The Reverend Josh Whitfield  
The Convention Reconvenes

### **Announcements, Final Readings**

#### **Ministry Reports**

Children's Home	Cragmont
Church Finance	Minister's Program
Foreign Missions	

**10:00 – 10:15**      **Break - VISIT THE MINISTRY DISPLAY AREA**

**10:15 – 11:00**      **Worship Service – The Reverend Roger Hill**

**11:00 – 11:10**      **Break – VISIT THE MINISTRY DISPLAY AREA**

**11:00 – 12:15**      **Ministry Reports**

FWB Press	Home Missions
Retirement Homes	Mount Olive College
Sunday School	

**Election and Installation of Officers,  
Boards and Committees**

**Resolutions Committee Report**

**Centennial Celebration Report**

**12:15**      **Report of the Memorial Committee**

**12:30**      **The Convention is Adjourned**

***THE 99<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SESSION OF THE  
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST CONVENTION  
WILL CONVENE  
MAY 17- 19, 2011***

## **Boards and Committees**

### **Convention Executive Committee**

#### **Officers:**

President – Charles L. Renfrow (2010)  
Vice President – Harold Swinson (2010)

Secretary – Al Warrick (2011)  
Treasurer – Kevin Jackson (2011)

#### **Conference Representatives:**

Albemarle – Kathy Cahoon (2011)  
Cape Fear – Sam Weeks (2010)  
Central – Leon Grubbs (2010)  
Eastern – Tim Heath (2010)

Paul Palmer – Wayne Sheffield (2011)  
Pee Dee – Gary Bryan (2011)  
Piedmont – Dale Belvin (2011)  
Western – Ray Wells (2011)

### **Children's Home**

Sherman Dilley, Ken Benton, Judy Aycock (2010)  
Johnny Sullivan, Wanda Crocker, Tom Parrish (2011)  
James W. Cahoon, Doug Skinner, Sherry Askew (2012)  
Teresa Foster, Ila Penny, Ed Croom (2013)  
Rebecca Davenport (Emeritus Member)

### **Foreign Missions**

Phillip Boykin (2010), John Hill (2011), Gary Bailey (2012), Wayne King (2013), Philip Wood (2014), Henry Armstrong (Honorary Member for Life)

### **Home Missions & Evangelism**

Peyton Lee (2010), Howard McPherson (2011), Carlee Stallard (2012), Wayne Britt (2013), Bruce Jones (2014), Lewis Forsythe (2015), Elaine Swinson (2016)

### **Minister's Program**

Phillip Boykin (2010), Randall Smith (2011), Sherman Dilley (2012), Ricky Warren (2013), Richard Glosson (2014)

### **Mount Olive College**

Adrian Grubbs, C. Darrell Horne, Eugene Sumner, Carroll Hawkins,  
Bobby Williamson (2010)

Christine Greene, Gene Jernigan, Lloyd Jones, Jr., Robert B. Kornegay,  
David L. McPherson (2011)

Carolyn Jernigan, Linda Staunch, Kim Quinn, Earl Worley, Jr., H. M. Poythress (2012)

Donald Ribeiro, Stanley C. Harrell, Charles McLawhorn, Jr., Emmett Pope, III,  
Jerilyn Lee (2013)

Benjie Forrest, Donnie Lassiter, Wendell Murphy, Jean Averette, De W. Eakes (2014)

Charles Pittman, Sandra B. Tillman, Mary H. Drummond, Kenneth Jones, II,  
Howard Scott (2015)

### **Retirement Homes**

Michael Barnhill, Johnny Johnson (2010)

Jerry English, Sondra Thick (2011); Jean McPherson, George Wooten (2012)

Clifford Ball, Lloyd Jones, Jr. (2013); Reginald Parker, Lloyd Hargis (2014)

### **Historical Commission**

Pam Wood (2010), Edmundo Gonzalez (2011), Alan Lamm (2012), Gary Barefoot

(Honorary), Michael Pelt (Honorary)

### **Chaplain's Commission**

Frank Harrison (2010), Mark Hobbs (2011), Preston Smith (2012), Philip Wood (2013),

Harry Grubbs (2014)

### **Cragmont Assembly**

Mike Barnhill, Gary Bailey, Carol Davis (2010)

Donnie Lassiter, Nancy Boykin, Sharlene Howell (2011)

Donald Ribeiro, Neal Cox, Lloyd Jones, Jr. (2012)

### **Convention Board of Trustees**

Jimmy Webster (2010), Walt Tyndall (2011), Paul Grubbs (12)

### **Church Finance Association Representative**

Laura Monroe (2010)

### **Free Will Baptist Press Foundation Representative**

Alan Joyner (2010)

### **Laymen's League Board**

Roy Wetherington, Bill Armitage, Dale Springs, Billy Gurkin (2010)

Eason Barnhill, John Newton, Paul Beamon, Eugene Dixon (2011)

Russell Tyson, Michael Griffin, Otis Gatlin, Michael Fredette (2012)

### **Sunday School Board**

Bruce Jones, Heath Conner, Nancy Cale (2010)

Mike Williams, Roger Hill, Wayne Hicks (2011)

Kitty Barnes, Brenda Best, Terry Ellis (2012)

### **Commission on Youth Ministry and Student Ministry Leadership**

Brad Williamson (2010), David Currie (2011), Angela Mattox (2012), John Hill (2013),

Todd Sutton (2014)

### **Commission on Education For Christian Ministry**

Michael Pelt (2010), Rudy Owens (2011), Deborah King (2012), Pam Braxton (2013),

Michael Bryan (2014), Josh Whitfield (2015), Tommy Benson (2016)

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

### Executive Committee Meeting

April 28, 2009

Headquarters, Ayden, North Carolina

Present: Charles L. Renfrow, President; Al Warrick, Secretary; Kevin Jackson, Treasurer; Al Markuson; Leon Grubbs; Sam Weeks; Tim Heath; Dale Belvin; Ray Wells  
Also Present: Buddy Sasser, Director of Convention Services and Andrea Cox, Administrative Assistant

President Renfrow called the meeting to order; Leon Grubbs led in prayer.

•*The minutes of the February 17, 2009 meeting were approved as presented.*

Treasurer's Report was presented.

•*Motion to accept Treasurer's Report as presented.* MSP

The Director of Convention Services presented his report.

–The following Constitutional Change concerning Cragmont Assembly will need to be presented at the 2009 Annual Convention:

**Bylaws: Article II, Section 10:**

**Current Reading—***Representatives of Cragmont Assembly Stock:* The stock held by this Convention in Cragmont Assembly, Inc., shall be represented by six (6) members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the Convention.

**Proposed Reading:** *Representatives of Cragmont Assembly Stock:* The stock held by this Convention in Cragmont Assembly, Inc., shall be represented by nine (9) members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the Convention.

•*Motion to hold a joint meeting of all ordaining councils and the Executive Committee June 16, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. at Johnston Union OFWB Church, Smithfield to discuss ways ordaining councils can work together to better facilitate training for all ordained and licensed ministers.* MSP

•*Motion for the Ministry Support Calendar to maintain its current format.* MSP

•*Motion to email a request from the Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee for financial assistance from our churches for the Blended Fellowship roof project.* MSP

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 16, 2009 at Johnston Union OFWB Church.

*We were adjourned with prayer by Kevin Jackson.*



**Executive Committee Meeting  
June 16, 2009  
Johnston Union OFWB Church**

In attendance: Dale Belvin, Kevin Jackson, Harold Swinson, Ray Wells, Sam Weeks, Leon Grubbs, Al Warrick, Tim Heath, & Charles Renfrow

Absent: Wayne Sheffield, Gary Bryan, Kathy Cahoon

The meeting was called to order by Rev. Charles Renfrow.

Bro. Sam Weeks opened with prayer.

President Renfrow thanked the Executive Committee for help during convention and expressed his pleasure with the convention and the attendance.

*Minutes were read (correction noted of typo "Proposed Reading" of constitutional change) for April 28<sup>th</sup> meeting (attached). MSP*

*Minutes of 2009 Convention (Corrections: capitalize Ronnie Taylor's name and correcting the word represent on "Proposed Reading" of constitutional change) attached and highlighted. MSP*

The resolution of marriage was read. *There was a motion to send the resolution and letter over the President's signature to the Legislature. (attached)*

Treasurer's Report—*Brother Jackson pointed out a net income for the year of \$27,996.69. Income has been good for the year. MSP to accept as information.*

There was discussion regarding next year's convention. President Renfrow asked that all members consider the recommendations and have further discussion at the next meeting.

Next meeting is scheduled for August 18, 2009 at 9:00 AM at OFWB Headquarters.

Meeting adjourned. MSP

Bro. Kevin Jackson closed with prayer.

**Executive Committee Meeting  
August 18, 2009  
Headquarters, Ayden, North Carolina**

Present: Charles L. Renfrow, President; Harold Swinson, Vice-President; Al Warrick, Secretary; Kevin Jackson, Treasurer; Leon Grubbs; Sam Weeks; Tim Heath; Gary Bryan; Ray Wells

Also Present: Buddy Sasser, Director of Convention Services and Andrea Cox, Administrative Assistant



President Renfrow called the meeting to order.

Ray Wells read scripture from Psalm 73:25, 28 and offered prayer.

•*The minutes of the June 16, 2009 meeting were approved with the following correction: the word schedule (Next meeting is schedule...) should be scheduled.*

Treasurer's Report was presented.

•*Motion to accept Treasurer's Report as presented. MSP*

The Director of Convention Services presented his report:

•*Motion to invite the Free Will Baptist Children's Home to participate in the 2010 Convention Golf Fellowship by offering them 20% of the net profit of the Tournament and suggesting that they send a brochure advertising the Tournament to everyone on their mailing list. MSP*

•*Motion to print 600 copies of the 2010 OFWB Directory. MSP*

Next meeting is scheduled for January 12, 2010 at 9:00 AM at the OFWB Headquarters.

Meeting adjourned.

President Renfrow closed with prayer.

### **Executive Committee Meeting**

**January 12, 2010**

**Headquarters, Ayden, North Carolina**

Present: Charles L. Renfrow, President; Harold Swinson, Vice-President; Al Warrick, Secretary; Kevin Jackson, Treasurer; Kathy Cahoon; Sam Weeks; Tim Heath; and Dale Belvin

Also Present: Buddy Sasser, Administrative Director and Andrea Cox, Administrative Assistant

President Renfrow called the meeting to order.

Al Warrick presented the devotion from Phillipians 4:6-7, and offered prayer.

•*Motion to accept the minutes of the August 18, 2009 meeting as presented. MSP*

Donald Fader, Director of Church Finance Association, and Mary Dudley, Director of OFWB Sunday School Ministry, joined the meeting to present the Report of the Task Force on Financial Literacy.

•*Motion to accept the Report of the Task Force on Financial Literacy  
Also, in an effort to promote our partnership with Crown Financial Ministries and to encourage pastors to promote this initiative within their churches, to allow space on the program at the 2010 IMPACT*

*Banquet for a presentation from a representative from Crown Financial Ministries*

*Further, to invite Crown Financial Ministries to present a workshop during the Wednesday afternoon Learning Sessions at the 2010 Convention. MSP*

Treasurer's Report was presented. Discussion followed concerning financial support for the Headquarters office.

•*Motion to adopt the Treasurer's Report as presented. MSP*

•*Motion for the Director of Convention Services and the Administrative Assistant to meet with the Finance Committee to examine the 2010 Convention Budget for areas of possible savings. MSP*

The Director of Convention Services presented the following information:

- Travel Report for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarters of 2009
- 2010 Convention Golf Tournament Update
- Proposed format for the 2010 Annual Convention

•*Motion to adopt the format for the 2010 Annual Convention. MSP*

President Renfrow appointed the following individuals to serve on the Nominating Committee for the 2010 Convention:

Reverends Ashley Summerlin; Stephen Prescott; J.R. Clark; Doug Skinner; and Leon Grubbs, chair

President Renfrow appointed the following individuals to serve on the Resolutions Committee for the 2010 Convention:

Mrs. May Pittman, and Reverends Mitchell Parker; Terry Ellis; Frank Harrison; and Ray Wells, chair

Suggestion to present the following names to the Nominating Committee for consideration to fill vacancies on the Convention Executive Committee of terms expiring in 2010:

Harold Swinson	President
Ray Wells	Vice-President
Tim Heath	Eastern Conference Representative
Barry Stallings	Western Conference Representative

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 16, 2010, at 9:00 AM at the OFWB Headquarters.

Meeting adjourned.

President Renfrow closed with prayer.

**Executive Committee Meeting  
March 23, 2010  
Headquarters, Ayden, North Carolina**

Present: Charles L. Renfrow, President; Harold Swinson, Vice-President; Al Warrick, Secretary; Kevin Jackson, Treasurer; Kathy Cahoon; Sam Weeks; Leon Grubbs; Tim Heath; and Ray Wells

Also Present: Buddy Sasser, Administrative Director and Andrea Cox, Administrative Assistant

President Renfrow called the meeting to order.

Sam Weeks presented the devotion from John 17:21 concerning unity, and offered prayer.

•*Motion to accept the minutes of the January 12, 2010 meeting as presented.* MSP

Kevin Jackson presented the proposed 2011 budget for the Convention.

Discussion concerning the proposed budget was suspended as Dr. Michael Pelt, Chairman of the Commission on Education for Christian Ministry, joined the meeting. He shared information concerning the "Continuing Education Recommendation" presented to all conference ordination boards.

Discussion concerning the proposed budget continued.

•*Motion to increase registration fees for all ministers and all delegates attending the Annual Convention of Original Free Will Baptists from \$35.00 to \$45.00, beginning with the 2011 Convention.* MSP

•*Motion to adopt the budget for 2011 as presented.* MSP

The Director of Convention Services presented information concerning the 2010 Convention Golf Tournament, and also the proposed program for the 2010 Annual Convention.

•*Motion to adopt the program for the 2010 Annual Convention as presented.*  
MSP

•*Motion to adjourn.* President Renfrow closed with prayer.

Next meeting is scheduled for June 1, 2010, at 9:00 AM at the OFWB Headquarters.

**Convention of Original Free Will Baptists  
Budget/Actual for 2009**

**INCOME**

**Convention Income**

	<b><u>Budget</u></b>	<b><u>Actual</u></b>
Air Force Chaplain Service	\$ 500.00	\$ 577.31
Church Contributions	65,000.00	53,716.44
Convention Registration Fees	14,000.00	19,675.00
Convention Worship Offerings	2,500.00	2,637.45
Church Dues	8,400.00	5,535.00
Individual Contributions	1,000.00	585.00
Interest	1,000.00	325.66
Miscellaneous	500.00	741.37
Other Contributions	2,500.00	1,144.34
Promotional	12,500.00	10,779.50
Support from Savings (If needed)	9,130.00	
Commission on Ed. for Christian Ministry		1,000.00
Wall of Honor	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$117,030.00</b>	<b>\$96,717.07</b>

**Endowment Interest Income**

Hansley Endowment	20.00	59.61
Heritage Club Endowment	800.00	0.00
Leadership Endowment	150.00	161.15
Wall of Honor Endowment	<u>0.00</u>	<u>442.50</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$970.00</b>	<b>\$663.26</b>

**Reimbursement Income**

Copier	3,500.00	2,232.99
Headquarters Rent	14,200.00	13,773.00
Headquarters Service	5,000.00	3,060.00
Telephone	0.00	391.06
Health Insurance	0.00	
Other	2,500.00	5,954.63
Program and Report Book	<u>7,000.00</u>	<u>6,685.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$32,200.00</b>	<b>\$32,096.68</b>

**Endowment Income**

Hansley Endowment	0.00	0.00
Wall of Honor Endowment	0.00	3,000.00
Leadership Endowment	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>

<b>Over All Totals</b>	<b>\$150,200.00</b>	<b>\$132,477.01</b>
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## **EXPENSES**

	<b><u>Budget</u></b>	<b><u>Actual</u></b>
<b><u>Convention Expenses</u></b>		
Convention Costs	\$2,000.00	\$2,554.68
Executive Committee Expense	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>211.38</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,500.00</b>	<b>\$2,766.06</b>
<b><u>Endowment Expenses</u></b>		
Hansley Endowment	0.00	0.00
Heritage Club Endowment	0.00	0.00
Leadership Endowment	150.00	0.00
Wall of Honor Endowment	<u>100.00</u>	<u>185.89</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>	<b>\$185.89</b>
<b><u>General Operations Expenses</u></b>		
Accounting Costs	500.00	487.40
Benevolence	100.00	0.00
Copier Expense	3,800.00	4,855.48
General Maintenance & Supplies	0.00	0.00
Headquarters Telephone & Fax	4,800.00	4,227.63
Headquarters Rent (Convention)	800.00	0.00
Headquarters Utilities	2,000.00	905.96
Insurance	2,000.00	1,709.00
Interest and Fees	100.00	15.00
Internet and Web Site	1,000.00	885.50
Subscriptions	150.00	99.55
Office printing and supplies	2,500.00	2,363.03
Other	500.00	0.00
Postage	1,200.00	1,062.74
Sales Tax	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,041.42</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$16,950.00</b>	<b>\$17,652.71</b>
<b><u>Marketing Expenses</u></b>		
Denominational Directory	1,000.00	2,850.00
Golf Tournament	2,500.00	1,750.10
IMPACT Dinner	3,000.00	2,131.84
Promotional	<u>3,500.00</u>	<u>2,000.95</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>	<b>\$8,732.89</b>
<b><u>Miscellaneous Expenses</u></b>		
Fraternal Relations	500.00	0.00
Church-College Relations	0.00	0.00
National Armed Forces	1,000.00	729.68
Other Expense	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,312.36</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,500.00</b>	<b>\$2,042.04</b>

**Personnel Salaries & Allowances Expenses**

Employee Benefits	\$ 15,500.00	\$ 17,005.28
Payroll Tax Expense	1,500.00	1,354.86
Salaries	62,000.00	61,089.24
Travel Expense	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>9,677.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$89,000.00</b>	<b>\$89,126.38</b>

**Reimbursement Expenses**

Headquarters Rent	\$14,500.00	\$14,877.00
Health Insurance	5,000.00	6,323.52
Other	1,500.00	1,041.72
Program and Report Book	<u>3,500.00</u>	<u>3,450.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$24,500.00</b>	<b>\$25,692.24</b>

<b>Complete Total</b>	<b>\$150,200.00</b>	<b>\$146,198.21</b>
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# **Convention of Original Free Will Baptists** **General Budget for 2010 and 2011**

## **INCOME**

	<u><b>2010 Budget</b></u>	<u><b>2011 Budget</b></u>
<u><b>Convention Income</b></u>		
Air Force Chaplain Service	500.00	500.00
Church Contributions	65,000.00	60,000.00
Convention Registration Fees	20,000.00	24,750.00
Convention Worship Offerings	2,500.00	3,000.00
Church Dues	6,600.00	6,000.00
Individual Contributions	3,200.00	1,000.00
Interest	800.00	500.00
Miscellaneous	500.00	500.00
Other Contributions	5,000.00	1,500.00
Promotional	17,325.00	16,625.00
Support from Savings (If needed)	0.00	0.00
Wall of Honor	<u>250.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>121,675.00</b>	<b>114,375.00</b>

## **Endowment Interest Income**

Hansley Endowment	50.00	50.00
Heritage Club Endowment	0.00	0.00
Leadership Endowment	150.00	150.00
Wall of Honor Endowment	<u>450.00</u>	<u>450.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>650.00</b>	<b>650.00</b>

## **Reimbursement Income**

Copier	3,500.00	2,000.00
Headquarters Rent	15,000.00	14,000.00
Headquarters Service	5,000.00	3,000.00
Telephone	500.00	350.00
Health Insurance	6,500.00	8,000.00
Other	2,500.00	500.00
Program and Report Book	<u>7,000.00</u>	<u>7,000.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>40,000.00</b>	<b>34,850.00</b>

Endowment Income

Hansley Endowment	0.00	0.00
Wall of Honor Endowment	250.00	250.00
Leadership Endowment	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total	250.00	250.00

Over All Totals	162,575.00	150,125.00
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**EXPENSES**Convention Expenses

Convention Costs	2,500.00	2,000.00
Executive Committee Expense	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total	3,500.00	2,000.00

Endowment Expenses

Hansley Endowment	0.00	0.00
Heritage Club Endowment	0.00	0.00
Leadership Endowment	0.00	0.00
Wall of Honor Endowment	<u>25.00</u>	<u>25.00</u>
Total	25.00	25.00

General Operations Expenses

Accounting Costs	500.00	500.00
Benevolence	100.00	100.00
Copier Expense	5,500.00	4,500.00
General Maintenance & Supplies	600.00	0.00
Headquarters Telephone & Fax	4,500.00	3,500.00
Headquarters Rent (Convention)	800.00	0.00
Headquarters Utilities (Propane)	2,000.00	1,500.00
Insurance	2,000.00	1,800.00
Interest and Fees	100.00	100.00
Internet and Web Site	1,000.00	900.00
Subscriptions	150.00	100.00
Office printing and supplies	2,500.00	2,000.00
Postage	1,200.00	1,000.00
Sales Tax	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total	22,450.00	17,000.00



**Marketing Expenses**

Denominational Directory	2,000.00	0.00
Golf Tournament	3,000.00	1,500.00
IMPACT Dinner	3,000.00	2,000.00
Promotional	<u>3,500.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,500.00</b>	<b>4,500.00</b>

**Miscellaneous Expenses**

Fraternal Relations	500.00	500.00
Church-College Relations	500.00	0.00
National Armed Forces	1,000.00	1,000.00
Other Expense	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>

**Personnel Salaries & Allowances Expenses**

Employee Benefits	19,000.00	20,000.00
Payroll Tax Expense	1,500.00	1,500.00
Salaries	65,000.00	65,000.00
Travel Expense	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>95,500.00</b>	<b>96,500.00</b>

**Reimbursement Expenses**

Headquarters Rent	15,000.00	15,000.00
Health Insurance	6,500.00	8,000.00
Other	1,500.00	1,000.00
Program and Report Book	<u>3,600.00</u>	<u>3,600.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>26,600.00</b>	<b>27,600.00</b>

<b>Complete Total</b>	<b>162,575.00</b>	<b>150,125.00</b>
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**Convention of O.F.W.B.  
Balance Sheet  
December 31, 2009**

**ASSETS**

**Current Assets**

Checking Account	\$ 8,097.35
Commission on Education	123.34
Money Market Account	30,659.68
Leadership Endowment	5,961.15
Wall of Honor Funds w/ CF	16,682.51
Hansley Endowment CD	1,741.36
Accounts Receivable	<u>462.41</u>

**Total Current Assets** 63,727.80

**Property and Equipment**

Office Equipment	12,538.44
Furniture and Fixtures	12,903.77
Machinery and Equipment	<u>2,001.19</u>

**Total Property and Equipment** 27,443.40

**Other Assets**

**Total Other Assets** 0.00

**Total Assets** **\$91,171.20**

**LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL**

**Current Liabilities**

State Tax Liability	\$ <u>252.46</u>
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**Total Current Liabilities** 252.46

**Long-Term Liabilities**

**Total Long-Term Liabilities** 0.00

**Total Liabilities** 252.46

**Capital**

Beginning Balance Equity 32,695.23

Retained Earnings 95,970.51

Net Income (37,747.00)

**Total Capital** 90,918.74

**Total Liabilities & Capital** **\$91,171.20**

Financial reports were prepared by management.

# **FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME**



## **Annual Report To the 98<sup>th</sup> Session of the CONVENTION OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS May 18-20, 2010**

### **Working for God Effectively—Serving God With Expectation**

**Jeremiah 29:11** – For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an **expected** end.

### **Mission Statement**

Children and families are our most valued resource. Our home is dedicated to the ministry of returning children to a family by providing for children's physical, emotional, educational, and spiritual needs. This is accomplished in a nurturing environment with compassionate care. Since 1920, the Free Will Baptist Children's Home has ministered to children and families.

### **Our Children**

This week your child care ministry begins its 90<sup>th</sup> year of serving children and families.

Since the opening of the Children's Home, there have been many changes in our world. Even with all the improvements in science and technology, one thing remains the same. All human beings, especially children, need to feel loved and valued. Because of the pressures in today's lifestyle, the family unit is often threatened and children become the victims.

Our ministry is needed now more than ever before. We must be diligent in our efforts to protect, love, support, nurture, and teach troubled children so that they might achieve the plans God has for their lives.

### **Thank You**

Thank you for your prayers and financial support. We receive strength and encouragement through your active participation in our ministry. As our partners, you are providing food, clothing, shelter, medical services, education, and the opportunity for personal and spiritual growth. May God bless you for what you do for His children.

### **Highlights**

- Increased average number of children served daily
- Served 91 children and their families
- Served children from 9 counties in eastern North Carolina
- We had one resident attending college
- Hosted numerous events on campus
- Provided an internship for two graduate students
- Licensed by the Department of Health and Human Resources
- Accepted first children into our new Family and Therapeutic foster care program
- Completed the Heritage Hall Renovation Project
- Improved campus facilities

### **Goals**

Please be much in prayer for the Home as we endeavor to accomplish the goals listed below. We take seriously the charge to provide quality services in your child care ministry.

- To offer the best possible care for the children and families we serve;
- To return our children to a family as soon as possible;
- To offer religious training to help children strengthen their relationship with Christ;
- To evaluate our services and implement new programs as needed;
- To organize and promote activities and events that directly benefit our children;
- To recruit and train qualified foster parents;
- To provide new opportunities for our children, alumni, churches, and community friends in the newly renovated Heritage Hall.

## Recommendations

The following recommendations are submitted to the Convention:

1. This 2010 report to the Convention be adopted.
2. The Convention continue to designate May and November as Children's Home Months, and recommend our churches observe Children's Home Days on November 7, 2010, and May 1, 2011.
3. The Convention and its member churches continue to pray for our Children's Home ministry.

This report and these recommendations are respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board of Directors.

James W. Cahoon  
*Chairman, Board of Directors*

Gary W. Lee  
*President/CEO*

Board of Directors	Conference	Term Expires
James W. Cahoon, <i>Chairman</i>	Albemarle	2012
Johnny Sullivan, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	Central	2011
Sherry Askew, <i>Secretary</i>	Central	2012
Ila Penny, <i>Asst. Secretary</i>	Pee Dee	2013
Kenneth Benton	Cape Fear	2010
Wanda Crocker	Cape Fear	2011
Edward Croom	Western	2013
Sherman Dilley	Eastern	2010
Teresa Foster	Western	2013
Thomas Parrish	Piedmont	2011
Judy Roberson	Alumna	2010
Doug Skinner	Central	2012

**Free Will Baptist Children's Home, Inc.**  
P.O. Box 249  
Middlesex, North Carolina 27557  
(252) 235-2161 / Fax (252) 235-2625  
Email- [glee@fwbch.org](mailto:glee@fwbch.org)



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Girls"... serving children and families  
since 1920.

[www.fwbchildrenshome.org](http://www.fwbchildrenshome.org)



## Financial Statement

Management prepared this financial report from the actual audit. A copy of the Annual Audit conducted by Williams Overman Pierce, LLP, Certified Public Accountants, 2501 Atrium Drive, Suite 500, Raleigh, NC 27607, has been forwarded to the Convention's headquarters office.

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Fiscal Year 2008-09

Statement Date: June 30, 2009

#### Support and Revenues:

Denominational support	\$ 396,676
Individuals	131,957
Endowments/Grants	104,935
State funds	175,754
Title IV-E	97,494
Departments of Social Services	922,929
Medicaid	13,823
Tri-County support	143,327
Donated commodities	22,731
Rental income	25,347
Other	24,981
Loss on sale of assets	(924)
Investment earnings:	
Dividends and interest	17,840
Realized (loss) gain on disposal of securities	(186,802)
Unrealized depreciation of securities	<u>(462,217)</u>
<b>Total support and revenues</b>	<b>1,427,851</b>

#### Expenses:

Administration	174,058
Development	78,388
Program services:	
Children's services	1,315,394
Social services	159,038
Foster care	<u>107,545</u>
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,834,423</b>

Decrease in unrestricted net assets (406,572)

**Total** **\$ 1,427,851**

# STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION: JUNE 30, 2009

## ASSETS

### Assets:

Cash	\$ 451,996
Accounts receivable	108,917
Accrued interest receivable	1,654
Investments	2,142,972
Prepaid expenses	28,041
Inventories	18,116
Land, buildings, and equipment	1,443,944
Cash surrender value of life insurance	<u>10,325</u>

**Total assets** **\$ 4,205,965**

## LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

### Liabilities:

Accounts payable	\$ 26,790
Accrued wages	<u>57,170</u>

**Total liabilities** **\$ 83,960**

### Net Assets:

Unrestricted	\$ 350,230
Unrestricted – designated	3,060,041
Temporarily restricted	476,306
Permanently restricted	<u>235,428</u>

**Total net assets** **4,122,005**

**Total liabilities and net assets** **\$ 4,205,965**



FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME, INC.

BUDGET

July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011

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**Revenue:**

Denominational support	\$ 400,000
Endowments	7,500
Grants	50,000
Medicaid	20,000
Individuals	175,000
Interest	14,800
Tri-County Program	50,000
DSS Residential Care	1,354,800
DSS Family Foster Care	135,912
DSS/Other	1,500
Rental Income	22,000
Businesses	20,000
Miscellaneous	<u>10,000</u>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 2,261,512</b>

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**Expenses:**

Administration	\$ 146,863
Development	109,536
Plant	186,225
Children's Services	243,785
Social Services	196,316
Emergency Shelters	437,332
Independent Living Skills Program	216,895
Real World Preparation Programs	421,680
Foster Care	207,889
Capital Assets	<u>94,991</u>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 2,261,512</b>



# **Church Finance Association, Inc.**

## **Annual Report for Year Ending December 31, 2009**

The Board of Directors and the Membership of the Church Finance Association bring greetings to this Session of The Convention of Original Free Will Baptists. This past year has been a successful one for the Association and we would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve our denomination. As of December 31, 2009 we have almost two million dollars in loans outstanding to the churches and ministries of our denomination. These are loans that have been used to build sanctuaries, family life centers, and other projects needed by the local church. It is your prayers and investments that make this possible.

### **The Year 2009**

• <b>Memberships</b>	<b>4,072</b>
• <b>Deposits</b>	<b>\$1,073,095</b>
• <b>Loans to churches</b>	<b>\$1,966,108</b>

### **Mission Statement For Church Finance Association**

It is the mission of the Church Finance Association, Inc. to meet the borrowing needs of the member churches and ministries of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists. These needs include funds for capital expansion, repair, remodeling, and reorganization. These loans are made in a manner consistent with sound business practices recognizing that we must provide all due consideration in an effort to assist the Convention. Church Finance serves as a conduit between those institutions and individuals who are willing to place funds with the Association and those institutions which are in need of these resources.

### **Is Your Church Willing to Help Other Churches?**

Many of our churches have special use funds for building, contingencies, remodeling, or some type of emergency. The CFA urges our churches to take advantage of the **FUNDS ACCOUNT** which pays interest at the rate of (2.75%) and funds are available for withdrawal within 90 days. If you have funds in CDs or bank savings accounts please consider making those available to your sister churches by placing them with the Church Finance Association.

### **The Year in Review**

Over the last year we have seen interest rates begin to rise but the forecast for 2010 calls for rates to move upward. Church Finance is lending at rates comparable to banks and

credit unions. Construction costs have declined over the past year and this can be a windfall for churches that are looking to build new sanctuaries and expand their present facilities. Rates are still very attractive and if a church has building plans for the future now is a good time to move forward. Church Finance has positioned itself to meet present and future demands for funding from our churches. If your church has a need to borrow we would be most happy to speak with you and provide any assistance possible.

### **Financial Literacy**

Church Finance created a task force in 2009 to discuss the financial needs of our churches, ministries, and members. This task force was made up of pastors, laypeople, ministries, and a representative from the Convention's Executive Committee. The task force made recommendations to the Convention Executive Committee and they in turn endorsed the findings that will result in a partnership with Crown Financial Ministries. Together we hope to be able to introduce and reinforce the concept of Bible based financial planning to our members helping them to overcome the economic challenges that face the church family.

### **Will You Be A Part?**

Regardless of whether you are an individual, auxiliary, or church you can be a part of this ministry. We need:

- **Your prayers.** Please remember the work of the Association in your prayers. Our goal continues to be helping each of our churches and ministries with their financial needs.
- **Your deposits.** We accept deposits from individuals, auxiliaries and churches. Please consider placing funds with us. Our rates as of 01/01/2010 are:

~ Endowments	2.75%
~ Fund Account \$1,000 Min	2.75%
~ Other deposits	1.00%

\* **Your loans.** If your church is engaged in a building project, remodeling job, the purchase of land, or a remodeling project, the Church Finance Association will work with you to develop a loan program that best suits your needs and budget. In addition we have loans with rates fixed for up to five years. We offer loans for up to 25 years.

\* **Purchase Memberships.** They are available at a cost of \$25.00 each. Memberships are available to all organizations and individuals within the denomination.

If you need additional information, please write the Convention Office in Ayden.

**Church Finance Association    Box 39 Ayden, NC 28513**

**Or call Donald Fader at 252-523-5800**

The Board of Directors of The Church Finance Association are:

Daniel Taylor	President
Joseph W. Rollins	Vice President
Eugene Burkett	Secretary
Michael L. Whitfield	
Jefferson Daughtry	

## **CHURCH FINANCE ASSOCIATION**

### **2009 YEAR END FINANCIAL REPORT**

#### **ASSETS**

Cash in Bank	\$ 2,049,492
Mortgage Loans Receivable	1,966,108
Accrued Interest	8,868
Property and Equipment	2,634
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$4,027,103</b>

#### **LIABILITIES**

Demand Deposits	\$1,073,095
Members Equity	2,420,395
Accruals	1,178
Promissory Notes	430,610
Memberships	101,825
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$4,027,103</b>

## INCOME AND EXPENSES

	Budget 2010	Actual 2009	Budget 2009
<b>Income:</b>			
Interest on loans	140,000	126,462	175,000
Interest on Investments	30,000	27,265	25,000
Loan Fees, Construction int.	3,000	3,850	3,000
Contributions		2,967	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>173,000</b>	<b>160,544</b>	<b>203,000</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>			
Interest Expense	50,000	49,488	60,000
Benefits		10,855	
Salaries and taxes	42,500	43,280	42,500
Retirement	6,400	6,400	6,400
Board, Director Expense	12,000	12,179	12,000
Office Expense	11,000	5,209	11,000
Financial Literacy	5,000	1,423	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>126,900</b>	<b>128,834</b>	<b>131,900</b>
<b>Retained Earnings</b>	<b>46,100</b>	<b>31,710</b>	<b>71,100</b>

### (NOTES)

1) This financial report was prepared by management and the compilation and review was completed by our accountant, Taylor and Jones, CPAs, PA of Farmville, NC.

2) Related Party Disclosure: Donald Fader serves as the Executive Director of the Free Will Baptist Minister's Program which has deposits with the Association as of December 31, 2009.



## **Cragmont Assembly Inc.**

### **Inspiration, Instruction, Recreation**

**Mission Statement:** "To operate, maintain and expand a conference center and place of retreat for all Original Free Will Baptists and seekers after Christ, who will come to Cragmont to experience Inspiration, receive Instruction and participate in Recreation directed towards spiritual growth."

#### **Attendance record for 2009 Conferences**

Morning Star = 126	August Women's Conf. = 59	Pee Dee Youth Conf. = 65
Cragmont Youth Conf. = 169	Minister's Conference = 58	June Woman's Conf. = 20
	Christian Cadet Conf. = 157	Youth Frontier YFA/AFC = 135
General Youth I = 169	General Youth II = 212	Young People's Bible = 132

#### **Things To Do**

What is there to do on a weekend retreat at Cragmont? Good question-and one that is frequently asked. Allow us to share a few of the opportunities available.

Only minutes away "downtown Black Mountain" offers a wide variety of specialty shops and stores for a pleasant time of shopping, and only minutes away is the Asheville Farmers' Market and the huge Asheville Mall. While women are shopping, the men can pass the time playing golf on a number of beautiful mountain gold courses, many less than one hour from Cragmont-or you can simply enjoy rocking on the porch or in front of the fireplace. Family opportunities only minutes away include the Asheville Fun Depot (games, mini-golf, 'ner tag, go carts-all in a Christian atmosphere) and Biltmore House and Gardens.

Less than two hours away are great group and family activities so as Historic Hendersonville, Cherokee Indian Reservation, Linville Caverns, gem mining, Great Smoky Mountain Railway and much more.

Just a little more than two hours is Dollywood, Dixie Stampede and many more shows and activities in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee.

During the winter, youth groups can be snow skiing within an hour at Wolf Laurel Ski Resort or travel about two hours and be at Sough or Beech Mountain.

So yes, there is much to do while enjoying a weekend or weekday retreat. Please check out our newly renovated website at [www.cragmontassembly.com](http://www.cragmontassembly.com) or call us toll free at 877-669-7677 to reserve a weekend or weekday retreat.

## 2010 Schedule

### Morning Star

April 9 - 11, 2010

Joan Little

7063 Stantonburg Road

Farmville, NC 27828

252-753-3217

### Ministerial Association of OFWB

June 7 - 9, 2010

Stephen Prescott

7605 Newton Grove Hwy.

Dunn, NC 28334

910-567-5347

### Day Spring Conference

June 9 - 12, 2010

Joan Little

7063 Stantonburg Road

Farmville, NC 27828

252-753-3217

### Cragmont Youth Conference

June 14 - 19, 2010

Angela Mattox

112 Whooping Crane Lane

New Bern, NC 28562

252-671-7176

### Christian Cadet Conference

June 21 - 26, 2010

Joey Williams

139 Windyfield Dr.

Goldsboro, NC 27534

919-734-9080

### Pee Dee Youth Conference

June 28 - July 1 2010

Buddy Sasser

6263 Blalock Road

Lucama, NC 27851

919-734-3320

### Bed, Breakfast & Blessings

July 1 - 4, 2010

Cragmont Assembly

1233 North Fork Road

Black Mountain, NC 28711

877-669-7677

### Youth Frontier Conference

July 5 - 10, 2010

Frankie Baggett

5403 Weyerhaeuser Road

Ayden, NC 28513

252-746-7850

### General Youth II Conference

July 12 - 17, 2010

Wilma Parker

PO Box 6423

Kinston, NC 28501

252-522-0967

### General Youth I Conference

July 19 - 24, 2010

Bryant Hines

7946 Bear Grass Road

Robersonville NC 27871

252-792-5745

### Young Peoples Bible Conference

July 26 - 30, 2010

Chuck Owens

1506 Washington Ave.

Weldon, NC 27890

252-536-2202

### Cornerstone Woman's Conference

August 1 - 6, 2010

Joan Little

7063 Stantonburg Road

Farmville, NC 27828

252-753-3217

### Emmanuel Woman's Mini Conference

September 10 - 12, 2010

Joan Little — 252-753-3217

7063 Stantonburg Road

Farmville, NC 27828



<i>Cragmont Assembly, Inc.</i>	<i>2009 Budget</i>	<i>2009 Actual</i>	<i>2010 Budget</i>
<b><u>Income</u></b>			
OFWB Churches, Individuals	\$168,100.00	\$192,463.91	\$168,100.00
Cragmont Club	40,000.00	36,378.50	40,000.00
Conferences, Seminars & Visitors	342,000.00	292,210.00	342,000.00
Miscellaneous	5,000.00	5,318.56	5,000.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$555,100.00</b>	<b>\$526,370.97</b>	<b>\$555,100.00</b>
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>			
Salaries & Employee Travels	\$201,700.00	\$168,113.85	\$201,700.00
Capital Expense	10,000.00	22,378.46	10,000.00
Guest Food	70,000.00	68,192.15	70,000.00
Office Lease	5,000.00	5,220.07	5,000.00
Retirement	6,100.00	4,000.08	6,100.00
Promotional	3,000.00	1,525.50	3,000.00
Housing	10,000.00	12,000.00	10,000.00
Bank Service Charges	1,500.00	973.57	1,500.00
Office Expenses	21,000.00	17,004.25	21,000.00
Professional Fees	2,000.00		2,000.00
Insurance	80,300.00	65,654.13	80,300.00
Miscellaneous	10,000.00	8,908.40	10,000.00
Rental Equipment	10,000.00	7,452.90	10,000.00
Utilities	69,500.00	69,227.15	69,500.00
Repairs & Maintenance	40,000.00	49,905.25	40,000.00
Consumables	12,000.00	14,039.82	12,000.00
Board Travel & Meeting Expenses	500.00		500.00
Licenses & Permits	500.00	460.00	500.00
Linens	1,000.00	687.07	1,000.00
Refunds	1,000.00	1,156.00	1,000.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$555,100.00</b>	<b>\$516,898.65</b>	<b>\$555,100.00</b>

This Financial report was prepared by John Williams, Manager/Treasurer of Cragmont Assembly, Inc. A copy of the Annual Compilation prepared by Cheryl Gavy of Swannanoa, NC will be forwarded to the Executive Committee of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptist.



## 2010 CONVENTION REPORT

Greetings from **OFWB INTERNATIONAL, INC. (Foreign Missions)** to the Ninety-Eighth Annual Session of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists.

Thank you for your faithful prayer and financial support. It is our passion to serve you and to use every dollar that we receive wisely. We realize that we are stewards and are responsible to make full use of these funds for God's glory. This report contains a brief summary of the field activities for 2009.

**MEXICO:** Three teams ministered in Mexico this past summer and built three houses for needy families. It was a joy to be able to help these dear people. The teams also ministered to several hundred children through Vacation Bible School, where we saw thirty trust Christ as their Savior. Women's Bible studies were also held to further disciple the ladies of the churches in Mexico. There were 215 campers at Camp Morelos in August. Camp week is the high light of the year for the Mexican people. It is a family camp and ministers to children, teens, adults, and seniors.

This summer we only have one team, with 18 people going to Mexico. This team will remodel the Lily of the Valley Free Will Baptist Church in Piedras Negras.

**INDIA:** I made a trip to India in October 2009 and visited several of the places where we have work. In Delhi I worshipped with the small congregation that meets in a rented basement area in a predominately Hindu district. The service was filled with praises and testimonies. The Spirit of the Lord was present. In Gujarat I visited the Children's Home. The children are well cared for and are taught the truths about Jesus Christ. Five new pastors were added in this area to start new outreaches that will become churches in the future. The leprosy colony we support offers hope to the poorest of the poor, by providing food, shelter, medicine, and clothing. Practically every person in this colony has trusted Christ as their Savior. The churches in India are growing in the midst of severe persecution.

**NEPAL:** I visited Katmandu, which is the capitol city of Nepal. Anneel had started a new outreach outside of this city. We visited a school where I had an opportunity to speak to the children about Jesus Christ. Nepal is one of the poorest countries in the world. It is predominately Hindu, which makes it a very difficult place to spread the Gospel.

**BANGLADESH:** 2009 saw much devastation. There were cyclones and floods. This was met with relief efforts each time. When I visited there in October, I helped distribute large bags of relief goods. We continued to drill fresh water wells in different villages to provide them with safe drinking water. Mr. Gupta has started several types of ministries to open doors to evangelism, since it is against the law in Bangladesh to openly preach



the Gospel. In one of these meetings, while I was there, two boys and two girls accepted Jesus Christ.

**BULGARIA:** The miracle of year was the “House of Prayer” in Balchik, Bulgaria. A letter was sent out on October 1, stating the need to raise \$214,000 by November 1, so construction could start. We had a window of time in order to meet the permit deadline of February 15. The building had to be at a certain stage by that date or the permit would have been cancelled forever. The funds were received and the deadline was met. The weather was unusually mild during November, December, and the early part of January. On the day the last tile of the roof was laid, that completed the permit requirements, a strong cold front moved across Bulgaria with heavy snow. Praise the Lord for His wonderful provision.

**PHILIPPINES:** I visited the Philippines in April 2009 and traveled throughout the country, visiting our work. It was truly a blessing to see how God has blessed the Free Will Baptist Church in this country. One of the highlights of my trip was to visit Mindanao. I had the opportunity to visit several pioneer churches and see the enthusiasm of our workers, as they reach out with the Gospel. God is raising up a new group of workers with a spirit of evangelism to start churches.

**LIBERIA:** The work in Liberia has expanded rapidly. We now support 30 pastors who serve various churches across the country. The people worship in small buildings made of bamboo and coconut leaves. We provided funds for relief, farm implements, school supplies, education, and Bibles. This country is still in the process of recovering from the 23 year civil war. They are constantly battling poverty and corruption.

**GUINEA:** This country borders Liberia. It is a predominately Muslim country. We have one worker there. Guinea has been through a period of civil unrest. Elections are supposed to be held in June 2010, which should again restore personal freedoms of the people and offer a greater opportunity to share the Gospel. We now support 2 workers in Guinea.

**FINANCES:** The budget for 2009 was \$739,538. Contributions toward this budget were only \$661,334. This was \$78,204 below the budget. We were able to operate because of a reserve brought forward from 2008. By February of this year, all reserves were gone. Unless there is a great increase in funding in 2010, we will have to make cuts across the board that will affect every phase of this ministry.

The **COMMAND** and **THE FREE WILL BAPTIST** are published to keep our membership informed about the activities of our ministries. These are your best sources for information about the things that are taking place in India, Nepal, Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Mexico, Liberia, and the Philippines. **PLEASE NOTE:** We stopped printing the hard copy of the **COMMAND** with the March 2010 issue. We encourage you to send us your email address to [director@ofwbi.org](mailto:director@ofwbi.org) so you can receive the E-COMMAND. We were forced to do this because of finances.

The **BUILD ONE FOR THEM** program has been a tremendous blessing to all of our fields. We have been able to construct church buildings, parsonages, and houses for the needy. We need churches to consider the needs of others and join us in this effort. There are always needs, and we encourage you to sponsor one of these building projects.

**IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER:** The Board of Foreign Missions realizes that our strength and supply comes from a loving Heavenly Father. We set aside several days throughout the year as days of prayer. We meet together to worship, praise, and take our petitions before the Lord. We pray for revival, for we know for our church to survive and grow we must have revival. We encourage you to pray for this ministry daily and to pray for revival in our Church.

**SHORT-TERM TEAM MINISTRY** has been a great blessing to all who have been on a team and to our fields. If you are interested in joining a team in the future, contact our office.

**EXTEND AN INVITATION:** To be better informed about the Foreign Missions Program, please give me an opportunity to visit your church.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFULNESS IN THE FOLLOWING:**

1. Pray daily for genuine spiritual revival in our churches.
2. Increase your contributions to Foreign Missions.
3. Participate in the Annual Telethon.
4. Remember Foreign Missions in your will.

**PRAYER REQUESTS: PRAY DAILY FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

1. For lost people around the world.
2. For laborers (Matt. 9:37).
3. For the financial needs of the Board.
4. For positive church growth on each field.
5. For God's wisdom in decisions and planning.
6. For protection and boldness for all our workers.
7. For a great spiritual awakening worldwide.

**“Pray without ceasing” (I Thessalonians 5:17).**

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. That this report to the 2010 Convention be adopted.
2. That the Convention encourage every member to pray faithfully for revival and the Fulfillment of the Great Commission.
3. That the months of **Marc**h and **Decem**ber continue to be designated as **"Foreign Missions Month"** in our Convention calendar.
4. That the Convention support the 2010 budget.

This report and recommendations are submitted on behalf of OFWB International, Inc.  
Phillip Boykin, Chairman                      Harold Jones, Executive Director

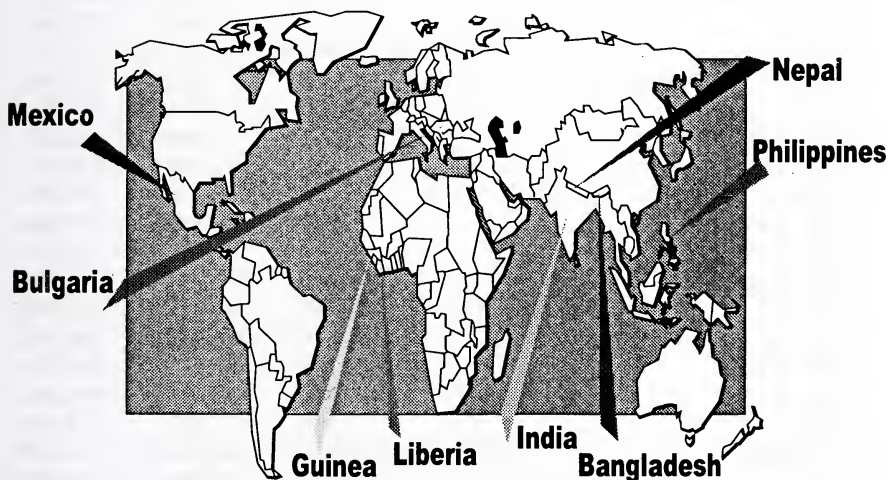
Included in this report are a financial statement and a list of churches and individuals who contributed to OFWB International, Inc. (Foreign Missions) in 2009.

#### ***BOARD OF DIRECTORS***

Phillip Boykin, Chairman  
Gary Bailey, Secretary  
Philip Woods

John Hill  
Wayne King  
Henry Armstrong, Jr., (Honorary Member)

**“Only as the Church fulfills her missionary obligation  
does she justify her existence.” -William Fetler**



**The Board of Foreign Missions has work in eight countries  
around the world.**

**OFWB INTERNATIONAL, INC.**  
**BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS**  
**Financial Statement**

**CASH BALANCE JANUARY 2009**

\$ 228,495

Year end 2009

Statement Date: December 31, 2009

	2009 Budget	2009 Actual	2010 Budget
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**REVENUES**

Free Will Baptist Churches and Individuals	\$737,528	\$661,334	\$718,802
Interest income and Sales Tax Refund		2,244	2,000

<b>TOTAL REVENUES BUDGET</b>	<b>\$739,528</b>	<b>\$663,578</b>	<b>\$720,802</b>
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**Non-budget Receipts**

BUILD ONE FOR THEM	-0-	418,117	-0-
Short-Term Team	-0-	41,872	-0-
Special Projects	-0-	21,322	-0-

<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS NON BUDGET</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>481,311</b>	<b>-0-</b>
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<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS BUDGET/NON BUDGET</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>1,144,889</b>	<b>-0-</b>
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Cash Available		1,373,384	
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**Expenses-Budget Items**

Accounting & legal	700	600	700
Board Meetings	1,200	538	600
Housing	3,300	3,300	3,300
Insurance	4,755	4,492	4,727
Newsletter (COMMAND)	15,296	5,654	5,000
Postage	5,000	6,057	5,000
General Travel	3,000	3,670	3,000
Rent (Paid Convention)	6,060	6,180	6,060
Salaries	74,969	75,348	75,269
Telephone	600	572	600
Payroll Tax	6,026	6,504	6,026
Miscellaneous	4,000	10,380	4,000
Bulgaria	162,562	157,818	168,941
Mexico	83,610	83,339	84,570
Philippines	249,178	232,141	245,578
India	65,940	88,057	62,940
Nepal	8,940	7,937	8,940
Bangladesh	10,797	16,187	12,927
Liberia	17,875	35,238	14,850
Guinea	2,000	1,515	2,160
Promotion	6,500	6,142	4,000
Office Supplies	2,800	3,641	2,800
Office Expenses (copier, etc.)	2,000	389	1,000
World Missions Conference	-0-	-0-	-0-
Contingency	-0-	-0-	-0-
Service Charge (Convention)	<u>1,620</u>	<u>720</u>	<u>1,620</u>

<b>TOTAL BUDGET EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$739,528</b>	<b>\$756,419</b>	<b>\$720,802</b>
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<b>DIFFERENCE</b>			<b>(82,922)</b>
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**Non budget Expenses**

Build One for Them	\$ 410,565
Short-Term Team	\$ 51,732
Special Projects	\$ 38,020
<b>TOTAL NON BUDGET EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 500,317</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES BUDGET/NON BUDGET</b>	<b>\$1,256,736</b>

**CASH BALANCE December 31, 2009** 116,648

OFWB INTERNATIONAL, INC. (Board of Foreign Missions) approved changes in the budget to comply with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. This budget report is for the calendar year 2008.

## BALANCE SHEET YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2009

### ASSETS

#### CURRENT ASSETS

First Citizens Checking	\$75,380
Build One for Them Fund	<u>41,268</u>
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>\$116,648</b>

#### RESTRICTED ASSETS

Alford Endowment-*FCB	33,210
Beaman Endowment-*CFA	9,200
Buress Endowment-*CFA	700
Caroon-Grubbs Endowment-*CFA	3,377
Cratt Endowment-*CFA	856
Hott Endowment-*CFA	882
House Endowment-*CFA	7,000
Link Endowment-*CFA	5,000
Moore Endowment-*CFA	5,000
Reynolds Endowment-*CFA	22,660
Scott Endowment-*CFA	<u>7,742</u>
<b>TOTAL RESTRICTED ASSETS</b>	<b>\$95,627</b>
<b>TOTAL RESTRICTED &amp; UNRESTRICTED ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$212,275</u></b>

#### LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY

Members' Equity - Restricted	\$ 95,627
Unrestricted	\$116,648

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY** **\$212,275**

\*FCB (First Citizens Bank)

\*CFA (Church Finance Association)

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY



**Year Ended December 31, 2009**

**Members' Equity – January 1, 2009** **\$321,172**

Plus: Excess of Receipts over Disbursements:

General Fund - FCB

Receipts	\$ 1,144,889	
Disbursements	<u>\$ 1,256,736</u>	(111,847)

Endowments – CFA

Receipts – contributions		\$ 2,950
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**Members' Equity – December 31, 2009** **\$212,275**

This financial report was prepared by Harold Jones, Executive Director of OFWB International, Inc. (Foreign Missions) and a copy of the Annual Compilation, prepared by Jan B. Murphy, Certified Public Accountant; Greenville, NC has been forwarded to the Executive Committee.

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AROUND THE WORLD**



**A LIST OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO OFWB INTERNATIONAL, INC.  
JANUARY 1, 2009--DECEMBER 31, 2009**

<b>ALBEMARLE</b>			
Albemarle Auxiliary Conv.	606.25	Steven's Chapel	230.00
Albemarle Conference	1,000.00	Tee's Chapel	12,602.00
Belhaven	326.00	Vandora Springs	300.00
Free Union	1,750.00	Wooten's Chapel	587.00
Gum Neck	100.00	Yelverton Grove	5,539.00
Hickory Chapel	13,394.00	<b>CENTRAL</b>	
Malachi's Chapel	200.00	Aspen Grove	1,200.00
Mt. Tabor	3,500.00	Ayden	965.00
Mt. Zion	1,343.03	Bethany	6,802.00
Plymouth, First	1,176.00	Black Jack	25,257.98
Shiloh	839.14	Central Auxiliary Convention	100.00
Sidney	983.70	Community	472.00
Sound Side	11,030.79	Daniel's Chapel	8,482.15
St. Paul	342.00	Dilda's Grove	3,761.03
Trinity	350.00	Edgewood	5,114.50
Union Chapel	2,082.47	Elm Grove	36,768.63
<b>CAPE FEAR</b>		Free Union	3,930.00
Bethel	2,505.00	Friendship	31,053.88
Blended Fellowship	300.00	Greenville, First	4,755.00
Cape Fear Auxiliary Conv.	50.00	Grimsley	475.00
Cape Fear Conference	721.50	Gum Swamp	2,543.72
Cape Fear Union Meeting	69.00	Harrell's Chapel	2,770.44
Casey's Chapel	3,502.00	Hickory Grove	1,936.88
Covenant	60.00	Hillside	160.00
Daly's Chapel	823.00	Howell Swamp	3,525.00
Faith	2,100.00	Hugo	2,900.00
Goldsboro, First	5,591.66	Hull Road	28,320.00
Haymount	2,066.68	King's Cross Roads	9,202.09
Hopewell	9,717.66	La Grange	4,294.69
Johnston Union	4,450.50	Little Creek	3,825.10
Lanwood Chapel	400.00	Marlboro	2,150.00
Lee's Chapel	11,187.35	NC Central Conference	2,000.00
May's Chapel	3,500.00	Ormondsville	12,400.00
Oak Grove	2,522.00	Otters Creek	385.00
Palmer Memorial	2,200.21	Owens Chapel	1,235.00
Pleasant Grove	1,831.64	Peace	395.00
Powhatan	10,130.34	Piney Grove (Beaufort)	3,879.00
Riverside	1,100.00	Piney Grove (Pitt)	1,118.97
Robert's Grove	30,520.41	Reedy Branch	6,263.64
Shady Grove	29,837.03	Rocky Mount, First	2,052.00
Smithfield, First	600.00	Rose Hill	12,076.97
Smyrna	1,250.00	Rose of Sharon	8,358.00
St. Mary's Grove	3,857.46	Saint's Delight	835.19
St. Paul	675.00	Saratoga	660.70
		Spring Branch	4,057.00



Sweet Gum Grove	992.00	Oak Grove	1,042.00
Tarboro, First	8,521.25	Oriental	1,725.00
Walnut Creek	1,000.00	Pearsall Chapel	1,273.14
Watery Branch	305.00	Piney Grove	396.85
Williamston, First	416.24	Rock of Zion	2,908.00
Winterville	78,261.23	Rooty Branch	14,235.50
<b>EASTERN</b>		Russell's Creek	160.00
Antioch	3,560.00	Saints Delight	325.05
Arapahoe	9,072.98	Sandy Plain	20,611.99
Beaufort	548.21	Sarecta	1,246.75
Bethel	325.00	Silver Creek	1,026.93
Bethlehem	1,377.00	Smith's New Home	735.75
Beulaville	8,679.50	Smyrna	480.00
British Chapel	1,285.00	Sneads Ferry	348.00
Cabin	250.00	Snow Hill	250.00
Christian Chapel	794.00	Sound View	25.00
Core Creek	4,478.59	Spring Hope	213.00
Core Point Chapel	1,123.61	St. Mary's	970.00
Crab Point	925.00	Trent	225.00
Croatan	1,819.00	Wardens Grove	456.32
Daly's Chapel	400.00	Warsaw, First	700.00
Davis	240.00	Welcome Home	200.00
Deep Run	2,629.00	Westside	6,986.00
Dublin Grove	1,025.00	Whaley's Chapel	1,000.00
Eastern Carteret Co. SS Conv.	23.00	White Hill	3,992.65
Eastern Conf. FWB Churches	26.34	White Oak Grove	2,251.00
Eastern Conf. Third Union	173.86	Wintergreen	4,539.19
Eastern Fifth SS Convention	250.00	<b>PAUL PALMER</b>	
Eastern Layman's League	35.81	Bethlehem	1,000.00
Edwards Chapel	60.00	Jakin	4,289.00
Folkstone	4,877.89	Live Oak	610.00
Friendship	485.00	Paul Palmer Association	4,655.00
Gethsemane	550.00	White Pond	3,300.00
Grant's Chapel	200.00	Zion	2,750.00
Hillsberry	95.00	<b>PEE DEE</b>	
Holly Springs	399.00	Beaverdam	3,713.98
Indian Springs	110.00	Emerson	100.00
Jackson Heights	500.00	Little Bethel	100.00
Juniper Chapel	3,675.00	Macedonia	200.00
Kinston, First	873.75	Mission Valley	260.50
Lanier's Chapel	511.00	Mt. Calvary	200.00
Long Ridge	1,933.00	Oak Grove	563.00
Macedonia	2,050.00	Pee Dee #1	275.00
May's Chapel	7,411.60	Pee Dee #2	50.00
Memorial	1,382.86	Pee Dee Auxiliary Conv.	279.62
Moseley's Creek	157.68	Pireway	50.00
Mt. Zion (Onslow)	350.00	White Oak	1,115.00
New Haven	400.00	<b>PIEDMONT</b>	
New Bethlehem	1,775.22	Bethany	300.00
Northeast	2,516.41	East Rockingham	2,188.86

Friendly Chapel	50.00	Watson's Grove	225.00
Piedmont Conference	100.00	Western Auxiliary Conv.	372.76
Thomasboro	300.00	Western Conference	100.00
Wayside	125.00	Western Conf. Second Union	75.00
<b>WESTERN</b>		Western Dist. Aux. SC/G2	230.00
Agape	150.00	Wildwood	500.00
Barnes Hill	470.00	Wilson, First	42,663.00
Black Jack Grove	1,240.13	<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>	
Branch Chapel	7,029.00	Camp Vandemere	150.00
Durham, First	1,276.00	Cragmont Woman's Conf.	1,920.00
Everett's Chapel	15,762.75	Fredie (West Virginia)	150.00
Floods Chapel	954.00	Mission Rally Loose Off.	558.50
Free Union	250.00	Mt. Pleasant	1,881.50
Fremont	1,350.00	NCFWB Auxiliary Conv.	556.26
Friendship	1,422.21	OFWB Middles E Dist.	1,500.00
Harmony	608.00	OFWB Northern Union	13,600.00
Holly Springs	2,680.00	OFWB SS Board	100.00
Horton Road	200.00	The Church of Wagram	100.00
Kenly	1,869.00	<b>INDIVIDUALS</b>	
Little Rock	1,600.00	Alma Dale Cox	100.00
Living Waters	225.00	Alvin and Ann Joyner	550.00
Marsh Swamp	2,066.00	Amanda Cleve	20.00
Micro	100.00	Ann G. Radford	300.00
Milbournie	8,654.00	Ann Moore	125.00
Mt. Zion (Nash)	6,836.02	Annie Ruth Parrish	21.00
Mt. Zion (Wilson)	925.00	Arlyn Branch	150.00
New Sandy Hill	500.00	Barbara F. Hines	200.00
Northern	5,880.00	Barbara S. Smith	1,011.26
Pine Level	1,033.00	Becky Jo Sumner	907.88
Piney Grove	1,018.00	Betty A. Moore	2,575.00
Pleasant Grove	2,475.00	Betty D. Lee	25.00
Pleasant Hill	2,758.00	Betty Heath	10.00
Pleasant Plain	200.00	Blanche A. House	2,900.00
Rains Cross Roads	8,212.00	Bradley Chase Smith	50.00
Rock Springs	26,125.00	Brantley W. Lawrence	1,877.00
Selma	2,124.00	Brenda Edwards	75.00
Sherron Acres	225.00	Brenda W. Gurkin	50.00
Spring Hill	2,944.00	C. J. & Patricia H. Head	50.00
St. Mary's	3,550.00	Cale & Jamie Grady	60.00
Stancil's Chapel	5,036.45	Cameron Lawrence	750.00
Stoney Creek	37,765.19	Carol G. Prescott	50.00
Stony Hill	4,090.00	Carol W. Whiteley	2,000.00
Trinity	1,711.50	Carolyn F. Jernigan	100.00
Union Chapel	300.00	Carolyn Lee Best	100.00
Union Grove	9,350.00	Catherine E. Quinn	500.00
Unity	1,481.00	Catherine Mason	75.00
Victory	3,600.00	Catherine S. Cobb	100.00

Cathy W. Crumpler	30.00	Jeffrey D. Cabaniss	25.00
Charles Jordan	100.00	Jeffrey L. Gray	50.00
Christine H. Godwin	150.00	Jennifer M. Smith	110.00
Clara S. Price	1.00	Jesse T. Suggs	20.00
Cleo S. Hinson	150.00	Jewell Lawrence	1,350.00
Cliff Gray	50.00	Jo Ann Bryant	5.00
Clovis S Bowen	50.00	Joan M. Edwards	50.00
Daniel Hines	650.00	JoAnn S Woodard	100.00
Dee Ann Maready	200.00	Joey P. Smith	300.00
Dianne B. Riley	75.00	John C. McLamb	400.00
Dorothy M. Griffin	50.00	John M. Langdon	5.00
Doug Tompkins	10.00	Joyce Adams	60.00
Dr. & Mrs. Burkette Raper	125.00	Joyce B. Brock	100.00
Dr. & Mrs. Michael Pelt	200.00	Julia K. Hill	35.00
Dr. & Mrs. Opey D Jeanes	50.00	Justin & Roxi Simpson	250.00
Dr. & Mrs. Thomas M. Denton	25.00	Kate Harvey & Lara Shutes	50.00
Dr. & Mrs. William Byrd	100.00	Katherine C. Highsmith	5,500.00
E. Carson Price	100.00	Kenneth & Terri A. Tippette	25.00
Eldred P. Lindsey	40.00	L. J. Crumpler	100.00
Elinor H. McCoy	45.00	Laverle G. Batton	900.00
Elizabeth T. Hill	100.00	Leah McGlohon	20.00
Elma S. Walton	150.00	Leslie M. Godwin	2,100.00
Emily K. Perry	200.00	Lillian Grubbs	20.00
Emily S. Meeks	420.00	Linda W. Futch	135.00
Emma C. Rouse	12.50	Linwood Hooks	100.00
Enzie H. Singleton	50.00	Lizzie W. Dawson	50.00
Ernestine Shackelford	200.00	Lois Everington	10.00
Evelyn W Evans	150.00	Lois F. Averette	100.00
Faye B. Adams	5.00	Lois P. McKenzie	20.00
Faye H. Nichols	125.00	Loretta A. Letchworth	150.00
Frances Phillips	135.00	Lorraine & Antonio Tello	2,118.50
Gertrude D Davis	75.00	Lottie J. Rublein	100.00
Gladys C. Avery	600.00	Loydene B. Proctor	50.00
Glenda McLawhorn	600.00	Lucille W. Shackelford	24.00
Glenn Norman	25.00	Lucy K. Copeland	150.00
Grace A. Hill	3,000.00	M. C. & M. G. Wright, Jr.	50.00
Hardie G. Hancock	670.00	Margaret A. Lassiter	25.00
Harold Jones	11,940.00	Margaret Carol Banks	25.00
Hattie Futrelle	25.00	Marianne Sipe	45.00
Hazel Reel	500.00	Marice DeBruhl	50.00
Hilda Bullock	275.00	Marshall & Jan J. Stewart	100.00
Horace Tripp	2,000.00	Mary A. Scott	120.00
Howard Franklin Scott	25.00	Mary C. Boyd	50.00
Jacqueline D. Weaver	50.00	Mary J. Pope	20.00
James B. Malpass, Jr.	1,000.00	Mary Jane Vowinkel	400.00
Jane B. Gainey	200.00	Mary L. Joyner	100.00
Janet Hines	5.00	Melissa Barnett	1,500.00
Janette B. Spain	10.00	Merle A. Stephenson	100.00
Jay Bucksot	500.00	Michael D Creech	1,820.00
Jean Dixon	10.00	Miriam B. Lamm	200.00

Mittie W. Lamm	300.00	M/M Everette Coates	50.00
M/M A. J. McLawhorn, Jr.	100.00	M/M Franklin D. James	25.00
M/M A. Lewis Carowan, Jr.	100.00	M/M Franklin W. Ferrell	100.00
M/M Alan Raper	600.00	M/M G. B. Frazelle	2,000.00
M/M Allen Moye, Jr.	200.00	M/M Gary B. Collier	4,000.00
M/M Alton Ray Hines	2,425.00	M/M Gary House	100.00
M/M Amos Harris	1,200.00	M/M Gary W. Lee	250.00
M/M Andrew Paul	770.00	M/M Gene Raper	150.00
M/M Arthur P. Bostic	3,900.00	M/M Gene T. Jernigan	1,050.00
M/M Ashby Bynum	50.00	M/M George H. Futrelle	50.00
M/M B. J. Lee,	20.00	M/M Gerald Tugwell	500.00
M/M Bill Hawkins	50.00	M/M Gilbert M. Slaughter	280.00
M/M Billy A. Melvin	50.00	M/M Greg Jones	4,080.00
M/M Billy D. Edmondson	100.00	M/M Guy V. Stott	100.00
M/M Billy Ray Vincent	200.00	M/M Henry A. Thompson	200.00
M/M Blanie A. Moye	200.00	M/M Herman R. Lancaster	150.00
M/M Bob Ackiss	200.00	M/M Howard L. Morris	25.00
M/M Bobby D. Cole	335.00	M/M J. B. Mc Lawhorn	10.00
M/M Bobby E. Weston	300.00	M/M J. D. Arthur	100.00
M/M Bobby W. Jones	250.00	M/M J. E. Sumerlin	1,340.00
M/M Brian Wilson	120.00	M/M J. Stewart Humphrey	200.00
M/M Bruce E. Gray	830.00	M/M James A. Barwick	25.00
M/M Bud Bivens	20.00	M/M James A. Rikard	25.00
M/M C. L. Gaskins	30.00	M/M James P. Blow	200.00
M/M C. S. Tart	125.00	M/M James Ray Gerrell	700.00
M/M C. W. Turner, Jr.	905.00	M/M James Roland Edwards	125.00
M/M Carroll W. Hawkins	2,300.00	M/M James W. Cahoon	50.00
M/M Charles E. Branch, Sr.	360.00	M/M Jarvis J. Mills	1,720.00
M/M Charles Lewis, Jr.	100.00	M/M Jay T. Sauls	400.00
M/M Charles R. Ball	11,510.00	M/M Jerry W. McRoy	1,500.00
M/M Charles W. Hutcheson	100.00	M/M Jesse B. Bennett, Jr.	25.00
M/M Chris B. Viverette	200.00	M/M Jimmy R. Eubanks	50.00
M/M Chuck Branch	1,630.00	M/M Jimmy Rhodes	100.00
M/M Cooper Pitt	25.00	M/M Joe L. Jernigan	1,000.00
M/M D. Bruce Baird	2,000.00	M/M John D. Wood	1,000.00
M/M Dan L. Taylor, Jr.	100.00	M/M John J. Wiggins	400.00
M/M Danny Jackson	100.00	M/M John R. Cuddington	50.00
M/M Darren E. Davenport	200.00	M/M John R. Manning	25.00
M/M David Houston	100.00	M/M John W. Kachel	500.00
M/M David L. Peele	10.00	M/M Johnnie I. Davenport	270.00
M/M David M. Lockamy	325.00	M/M Joseph L. Smith	700.00
M/M David Moore	100.00	M/M Joseph L. Smith, Jr.	2,150.00
M/M Dawson Page	775.00	M/M Joseph P. Banks	100.00
M/M Dennis D. Williams	4,900.00	M/M Joseph T. Harrison	10.00
M/M Donald W. Moore	1,250.00	M/M Joseph W. Rollins	1,000.00
M/M Donnie Parker	300.00	M/M Joseph Williams	100.00
M/M Earl Bielby	20.00	M/M Keith R. Gould	100.00
M/M Earl J. Wooten	100.00	M/M Kevin L. Hobbs	50.00
M/M Edward Avery	20.00	M/M L. C. Wood	120.00
M/M Erwin C. Hines	1,461.00	M/M L. Dennis Lee	20.00



M/M L. Eugene Riggs	100.00	M/M Robert R. Davis	4.95
M/M L. G. Grady	25.00	M/M Robert W. Pennington	200.00
M/M L. Marvin Edwards, Jr.	500.00	M/M Rocky Kennedy	4,166.20
M/M L. R. Caroon	100.00	M/M Ronald C. Pittman	25.00
M/M L. Wayne Bailey	2,400.00	M/M Roscoe P. Eason	200.00
M/M Larry E. Clayton	25.00	M/M Roy J. Weatherington	50.00
M/M Larry R. Henderson	50.00	M/M Roy L. Whitford	15.00
M/M Lee Morton Jernigan	600.00	M/M Russell F. Brann	1,000.00
M/M Lester Anderson	1.00	M/M Scott McCoy	500.00
M/M Linwood Pearce	25.00	M/M Seth B. Cayton	3,622.40
M/M Lloyd Dawson	100.00	M/M Stearle Pittman	100.00
M/M Lloyd W. Jones, Jr.	10.00	M/M Stephen Moore	150.00
M/M Lonnie W. Worrell	25.00	M/M Steven G. Raper	50.00
M/M Louis F. Holloway	180.00	M/M Terry G. Coates	25.00
M/M Marty Corbett	150.00	M/M Thomas Forrest	10.00
M/M Marvin E. Snyder	50.00	M/M Thomas G. Scherer	50.00
M/M Marvin L. Weatherly	25.00	M/M Thomas H. Webster	200.00
M/M Michael L. Asby	50.00	M/M Thomas I. Daniel	60.00
M/M Michael R. Webb	25.00	M/M Thomas James	25.00
M/M Michael T. Bowen	15,000.00	M/M Thomas Strickland	250.00
M/M Michael W. Joyner	1,000.00	M/M Timothy H. Stocks	500.00
M/M Milton C. Kennedy	550.00	M/M Tommie F. Bostic, Jr.	1,200.00
M/M Nelson A. Hall	230.00	M/M Tommy Tyndall	25.00
M/M Newton S. Barham	100.00	M/M Tony R. Holloman	2,000.00
M/M Noah Capps	100.00	M/M Vernon D. McLendon	20.00
M/M Noah Norman	300.00	M/M W. C. Martin, Jr.	5,000.00
M/M Odell Jernigan	250.00	M/M W. L. Brown	25.00
M/M Patrick Jacobs	900.00	M/M Walter L. Kirby	25.00
M/M Paul F. Bissette	2,400.00	M/M Walter Lee Powell, Jr.	25.00
M/M Paul Smith	100.00	M/M Warren C. Phillips	650.00
M/M Percy Kennedy	200.00	M/M Wayne Evans	350.00
M/M Pete Creech	1,450.00	M/M Weaver Baker	900.00
M/M Phil Allen	100.00	M/M Willard B. Hinnant	100.00
M/M Pittman Hines	5,100.00	M/M William B. Willis, Sr.	385.00
M/M Q. J. Sumner	515.00	M/M William D. Jackson	20.00
M/M R. Dean Fouts	25.00	M/M William D. Veith	265.00
M/M Ralph Whitehurst	100.00	M/M William E. Cleve	25.00
M/M Rand Holland	1,200.00	M/M William E. Rains	50.00
M/M Randall L. McDaniel	30.00	M/M William J. Tripp	100.00
M/M Randall Smith	1,270.00	M/M William Lassiter	25.00
M/M Randy D Doub	250.00	M/M William P. Hodges	300.00
M/M Raymond Boykin, Jr.	25.00	Mrs. Carlee Stallard	10.00
M/M Raymond C. Gray	345.00	Nancy Boykin	100.00
M/M Richard A. Hopkins	100.00	Nancy Lee	40.00
M/M Richard A. Jeter	50.00	Nannie M. Fields	100.00
M/M Richard Barkley	200.00	Old Hickory Barbecue Inc.	426.64
M/M Ricky Holland	20.00	Oleta P. Stilley	50.00
M/M Roamie W. Green	1,500.00	Olive M. Smith	400.00
M/M Robert B. Wilkerson	900.00	Ollie Langston	200.00
M/M Robert E. Weathersby	1,550.00	Patricia S. Radford	100.00

Paula & Robby Rhodes	350.00	Richard W. Tyree, Jr.	550.00
Rebecca J. Prescott	50.00	Rose R. Ross	10.00
Rev/M A. David DeHart	100.00	Ruby R. Taylor	50.00
Rev/M Ashley Trogdon	150.00	Ruth P. Joyner	65.00
Rev/M Aubrey B. Williamson	20.00	Salathiel Windley	50.00
Rev/M Billy R. Nowell	25.00	Sarah C. McCormack	400.00
Rev/M Bobby R. Taylor	600.00	Sharlene Howell	50.00
Rev/M Bobby Tew	1,200.00	Shirley S. Whitehurst	1,350.00
Rev/M Bryce Rouse	2,000.00	Shirley T. Sellers	100.00
Rev/M C. H. Overman	300.00	Starr P. Day	50.00
Rev/M Cedric D. Pierce, Jr.	400.00	Sylvia R. Barwick	25.00
Rev/M Chris Singleton	50.00	Tabatha Kennedy	250.00
Rev/M Dallas W. Byrd	475.00	Tahitia Stewart	10.00
Rev/M Danny Smith	1,000.00	Tammy E. Hudson	50.00
Rev/M David Hines	300.00	Thomas Haislip	5.00
Rev/M David M. Langley	150.00	Thomas L. Wallace	100.00
Rev/M De W. Eakes	50.00	Trenton Cantrell	1.00
Rev/M Dean Kennedy	200.00	Velma Morris	100.00
Rev/M Don Ribeiro	3,000.00	Verla P. Creech	200.00
Rev/M Doug Skinner	50.00	Viola Best	100.00
Rev/M Emmitt Jones	50.00	Viola T. Wilson	200.00
Rev/M Frank Flowers	550.00	Wanda Johnson	40.00
Rev/M Fred Baker	100.00	Westbrook Grange	50.00
Rev/M Gary Bailey	149.80	Wilber Shirley	20.00
Rev/M George H. Futrelle	25.00		
Rev/M J. B. Narron	1,000.00		
Rev/M James Gurganus	1,575.00		
Rev/M James Owens	75.00		
Rev/M James Rogerson	70.00		
Rev/M Jerry Campbell	10.00		
Rev/M Joe Crumpler	50.00		
Rev/M John Mark Windley	200.00		
Rev/M Kevin Stott	5.00		
Rev/M Larry Letchworth	50.00		
Rev/M Lewis J. Forsythe	45.00		
Rev/M Mike Barnhill	50.00		
Rev/M Mike Scott	250.00		
Rev/M Nelson R. Rollins	10.00		
Rev/M Owen K. Arthur	200.00		
Rev/M Philip Wood	1,416.00		
Rev/M Phillip Boykin	600.00		
Rev/M Ricky J Warren	40.00		
Rev/M Roney B. Bunn, Jr.	250.00		
Rev/M Ronnie Parker	225.00		
Rev/M Ronnie V. Hobgood	30.00		
Rev/M Royce L. Reynolds	40.00		
Rev/M Stephen Prescott	100.00		
Rev/M Terry L. Dennis	25.00		
Rev/M Timothy R. Heath	20.00		
Richard T. Banks	50.00		



Thank you for giving to this ministry. Your gifts and prayers enable us to take the Gospel around the world and also help meet many other needs. We look to the future with great expectation as God uses us to truly make a difference in the lives of others.

# THANK YOU!

# HOME MISSIONS AND EVANGELISM



HOME MISSIONS  
& EVANGELISM  
-----OF ORIGINAL-----  
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

## WORKING FOR GOD WITH EXPECTATION

Thirty Eighth Annual Report  
Home Missions & Evangelism  
2010 Convention

**THIS DECADE PRESENTS MANY CHALLENGES TO THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.** The church must learn the needs of our society with its changing social trends and influences. We, through Home Missions and Evangelism, have developed GROWTH DYNAMICS for helping the church reach our communities with effective strategy in WORKING FOR GOD WITH EXPECTATION. We must become involved in PRAYING for those around us, CARING for the hurting, and SHARING the Good News appropriately.

**OUR ENDEAVOR** is to follow our assignment and aim in planting churches, assisting the declining churches, chartering scout units, helping our churches reach its community through effective evangelism, building a Disaster Relief Ministry that follows the Master's Plan, and developing a Mobile Ministry that serves beyond the local church.

### **2010 ESSENTIAL GOALS:**

- Plant 5 mission/churches
- Assist declining churches/Harvest Covenant
- Scouts 5 Units
- Plant 5 Hispanic mission/churches
- Lighthouse Ministry (Evangelism Training)
- Increase Touching Lives Corps
- Biker/Prison Ministry
- Kitchen for Disaster Relief Center
- Membership - Disaster Relief Ministry
- Harvest Helpers Prayer Team
- Develop Mobile Chapel

### **TO DATE:**

Two  
Five  
Three  
Two  
Conducted nineteen  
20 youth groups  
29 members  
Accomplished  
350  
Accomplished  
In process





## CHURCH EXTENSION

**Free Spirit - Wilson, NC**

Missionary, Bobby Futrell

**Daly's Chapel - LaGrange, NC**

Missionary, Ed Thornton

**Sunrise Landing Mobile Church**

**Faith Training Center - Morehead City, NC**

Coordinator, James Gurganus

## ETHNIC MISSIONS:

**H'mongs**     10 worship groups, California  
                   2 worship groups, North Carolina  
                   1 worship group, Las Vegas, NV  
                   1 worship group, Salt Lake City, UT  
                   1 worship group, Milwaukee, WI  
                   H'mong Youth Camp, California  
                   H'mong Youth Camp, North Carolina

**Hispanic**     • Alpha & Omega OFWB, Ayden, NC  
                   • Proposed new Hispanic Mission/Church  
                   in Eastern NC  
                   • Develop the National Association of  
                   Evangelical Hispanic Churches  
                   • Farm Workers' Ministry



## TOUCHING LIVES CORPS

College students, single adults, married couples,  
and senior citizens



## BIKER/PRISON MINISTRY

The Reverend Dr. Timothy Webber, Coordinator

Our Bikers Ministry has a strong out-reach emphasis. This ministry takes us into youth detention centers, prisons, and motorcycle events where the Good News can be offered.



## PROJECT KIDS KARE

Project Kids Kare is a year-round ministry. Now is an excellent time to schedule this special project that could make a difference in a child's life.



## SCOUTING

- a. Boy Scouts of America
- b. American Heritage Girls



## LIGHTHOUSE MINISTRY

(Praying, Caring, Sharing)

- a. Usher Training
- b. Invitational Visitation
- c. JESUS Video Project
- d. Bible Distribution
- e. Canning Hunger
- f. Harvest Helpers
- g. Deacon Training
- h. Reaching Your Community for Christ
- i. Being Prepared for Disaster
- j. Outreach - Tent Ministry
- k. Mobile Church



## DISASTER-RELIEF MINISTRY

- a. To provide the skills of carpentry, plumbing, electrical, mechanical, cleaning, repairs, and other skills for those who have experienced DISASTER.
- b. Our connection:
  - North Carolina Interfaith Disaster Response
  - Federal Emergency Management Assoc.
  - North Carolina Emergency Management
  - Nat'l and NC Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster
  - Community in Crisis, Inc.
  - Community Emergency Response Team

# HOME MISSIONS & EVANGELISM FINANCIAL STATEMENT



Revenue	Budget 2009	Actual 2009	Budget 2010
Churches	250,000.00	231,726.31	250,000.00
Individuals	25,000.00	15,887.57	25,000.00
Sowers/Seed Club	2,000	384.00	2,000.00
Endowments	5,000	500.00	5,000.00
Other	45,000.00	21,306.86	45,000.00
Interest	2,000.00	1,803.08	2,000.00
Insurance Reimb.	2,000.00	1,846.44	2,000.00
Misc. Reimbursements	0.00	4,685.61	0.00
Conference/Union	4,000.00	2,995.69	4,000.00
New Projects	52,000.00	0.00	52,000.00
Gifts in Kind	12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00
Disaster Relief	90,000.00	80,988.22	90,000.00
Rent	12,600.00	19,317.36	12,600.00
Biker/Prison Ministry	<u>6,000.00</u>	<u>5,806.50</u>	<u>6,000.00</u>
Total Revenue	\$507,600.00	\$389,372.64	\$507,600.00

## EXPENSES

Home Missions	87,700.00	69,593.18	87,700.00
Harvest Covenant	5,200.00	0.00	5,200.00
Ethnic Missions	35,000.00	12,260.57	35,000.00
Spanish Missions	5,200.00	4,592.89	5,200.00
Proposed New Work	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
Evangelism	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00
Scouting	4,000.00	579.70	4,000.00
Disaster Relief	85,000.00	85,165.70	85,000.00
Special Projects	75,000.00	0.00	75,000.00
General Operations	<u>175,500.00</u>	<u>192,552.07</u>	<u>175,500.00</u>
	\$507,600.00	\$364,744.11	\$507,600.00

# HOME MISSIONS & EVANGELISM 2009 REPORT



## FINANCIAL STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

### **BALANCE SHEET December 31, 2009**

#### Assets:

##### Current Assets:

BB&T Checking Account	\$ 2,111.27
BB&T Savings Account	5,418.93
Contingency Fund	<u>1,052.64</u>

\$8,582.84

##### Restricted Assets:

Endowments & Artwork	\$ 89,932.08
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##### Fixed Assets:

Office Equipment & Furniture	\$ 24,797.31
Morehead City Property	475,000.00
Wilson Property	300,000.00
Kinston Property	330,000.00
Landis Property	275,000.00
Whiteville Property	84,500.00
Vehicles & Equipment	402,982.90
Tent Equipment	<u>15,500.00</u>

##### Total Assets

\$1,907,780.21

\$ 2,006,295.13

#### Liabilities and Capital:

##### Liabilities:

Notes Payable - Church Finance	\$172,877.55
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Note Payable - Kinston facility	<u>263,160.03</u>
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##### Total Liabilities

\$ 436,037.58

##### Net Assets:

Unrestricted	\$1,480,325.47
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Restricted	<u>89,932.08</u>
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##### Total Net Assets

\$ 1,570,257.55

##### Total Liabilities and Capital

\$ 2,006,295.13

## HOME MISSIONS & EVANGELISM 2009 REPORT



### FINANCIAL STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

#### Nonbudgeted Items

##### Income

Baxley, Georgia (satellite) 2,115.35

##### Expenses

Baxley, Georgia (satellite) 262.60

\* This financial report was prepared by Management and a copy of the Annual Compilation will be prepared by a Certified Public Accountant and will be forwarded to the Executive Committee.

### Recommendations to the 2010 Convention:

1. That the Convention receive the 2009 report of Home Missions and Evangelism.
2. That the Convention continue to designate April as Home Missions and Evangelism Month and that the fourth Sunday be designated as Good Shepherd Sunday in every Original Free Will Baptist Church.
3. That the Convention continue to designate September as Disaster Relief Month and that the fourth Sunday be designated as Good Samaritan Sunday in every Original Free Will Baptist Church.

Respectfully submitted:

#### **Board of Directors**

Mr. Howard McPherson, *Chairman*  
Mr. Peyton Lee, *Vice Chairman*  
Reverend Lewis Forsythe, *Secretary*  
Reverend Bruce Jones  
Mrs. Elaine Swinson  
Reverend Mrs. Carlee Stallard  
Mr. Wayne Britt

#### **Volunteer Disaster Relief Team**

Reverend Harold Swinson, *Food Coord.*  
Reverend Tim Heath, *Tent Coord.*  
Reverend Timothy Webber, *Biker/ Prison Coordinator*  
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Cook, *Mobile church Coordinators*

#### **Staff**

Reverend David C. Hansley, *Executive Director*  
Mrs. Laura Monroe, *Administrative Coordinator*  
Reverend A. Graham Lane, *Ethnic Coordinator*  
Mr. Roy Wetherington, *Disaster Relief Coordinator*  
Reverend Francis Garner, *Service Coordinator*  
Reverend James Gurganus, *Faith Training Center Coordinator*  
Ms. Marena Heath, *Administrative Assistant*

# **The Free Will Baptist Minister's Program**

*Annual Report to the 2010 Convention of Original Free Will Baptists*

## **Mission Statement**

It is the purpose of The Free Will Baptist Minister's Program to serve the churches and ministers of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists. It is our assertion that the minister can best meet the spiritual requirements of a congregation if he is unencumbered by the burden of financial insecurity. To this end we provide administrative services, information resources, and educational opportunities. These are designed to help the minister and the local church plan together a program of compensation and benefits designed to meet the minister's present and future financial needs.

## **Meeting Needs**

Meeting needs is what the Minister's Program is all about. This program was brought into existence to help prepare the minister for the financial responsibilities of life.

To do this, we try to help educate the church and the minister about the unique needs of the pastorate. Our goal is not to provide for the minister, that is the church's responsibility, but to help the church and the minister plan together so that at all stages of life the minister can serve without the burden of financial concerns holding him back.

The Minister's Program is an extension of the local church administering programs that the church could not provide on their own. We stand ready to work with the minister and the church to help them accomplish the goal of working together in a lifetime of financial planning. Ministers step out in faith to answer God's call. That faith is based on the belief that God will prepare them and provide for them.

We believe that God channels His provisions through the church and it is required of them to be good stewards as it relates to their care of the pastor. This does not apply exclusively to matters of compensation, but also to support, appreciation, and willingness on the part of the church to be lead. Please consider areas that the Minister's Program can work with you to help build a strong working relationship with your pastor.

## **The Year in Review**

**Retirement News** The news on the retirement front for everyone invested in the managed equities account this past year was better. That fund experienced an average gain of 8.41%. Those invested in the Fixed Fund realized a modest return of 2.04%. The economy continues to suffer and recovery will be slow.

It is important to note that the retirement plan continues to operate in a safe and sound fashion assuring those participating ministers that when they decide to retire the plan will be ready to serve their needs. To insure the integrity of the retirement program it is



reviewed regularly by an independent organization in an effort to make certain that those depending on these benefits will be confident that when they are ready to retire their benefits will be available.

We will move forward with a regular review of our plan for 2009 by AON, a worldwide benefits corporation, and report its findings to our participants and this Convention. Our plan is among the most advanced plans available for ministers and it enjoys benefits that make it unmatched in the private sector.

Does your minister have a plan for retirement? Churches should help their pastor prepare for the future by funding his retirement plan today. Contact the Minister's Program for any help you may need as you assist your pastor so that he can retire with the dignity and security that his calling deserves.

**Christmas Cheer** This program has been very well received by our ministers and churches since it was first implemented. Each year the Minister's Program sends a gift of \$150 to all ministers age 65 and older. It is a gift from the churches of the Convention to men who have literally given their lives to the gospel ministry. This program is a way of saying we remember you, and we are grateful for what you have done.

102 ministers received this gift from YOU and for the first time in its history the program became self-supporting and we would like to thank the churches, individuals and the organizations within the church that made this possible. We ask your continued support in the coming year. While the response has been very good we still have churches that do not give at all to this program and we would like to invite them to make 2010 the year they say "thank you".

**The Minister's Widows Fund and Surviving Minister's Fund** Another program we offer to our ministers and their wives is the Minister's Widows Fund and the Surviving Minister's Fund. For those who participate, this program provides a meaningful gift for fellow ministers during a time of loss. The Minister's Program pays for the administrative cost of this program so that every dollar goes to the spouse.

Since the last report to this Convention we have lost by death two members who participated in the Minister's Widows Fund, The Reverends Claude Garrett, Sr. and Lester Duncan. The Surviving Minister's Fund reported the death of Flossie Smith the wife of The Reverend Floyd Smith.

### **What Can Your Church Do?**

The Minister's Program will continue to maintain a comprehensive plan whereby churches and pastors can work together, and we will make effort to keep everyone informed in the area of taxation, compensation, retirement, and financial planning.

The only limit to the scope of this program is the level of support we receive from you, the local church. Your gift to us is a sacred trust and we make every effort to provide the greatest benefit to our ministers with a minimum outlay for administrative costs.

We hope that you appreciate this fact and that you will continue to support this program

with your prayers and gifts. Last year our total gift support from churches was \$77,854, which was down 13% from the year before. More disturbing is the fact that 25% of the churches provided no gift support for the Minister's Program at all. If these churches would give the recommended amount our gift support would have actually increased. Did your church give? Please tell us what we need to do to earn the trust and confidence necessary to receive your support.

### **Gift Challenges**

<b>For churches with less than 100 members</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>
<b>100 - 149</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>
<b>150 - 199</b>	<b>\$400.00</b>
<b>Over 200</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>

If we can help you in any way please call on us.

Sherman Dilley, Chairman  
Randall Smith, Vice Chairman  
Phillip Boykin  
Richard Glosson  
Ricky Warren

### **Recommendations**

- 1) We ask this Convention's continuous prayers in support of this program.
- 2) We ask for approval of the budget presented.
- 3) We ask that October be designated as Minister's Program Month and that the second Sunday in October be set aside as Clergy Appreciation Day. In addition, we ask that the second Sunday in June be set aside as Minister's Program Sunday in the local church.

**Important Information Regarding the Financial Report:** The Minister's Program has consistently operated in a manner that reflects sound financial principles. This year we ended with a surplus. However this surplus was due to positive investment returns. The Minister's Program depends on the contributions we receive from the local church to maintain the support and programs for our ministers. We know that our members are hurting and we are trusting that when the financial situation improves at the local church level we will see contributions increase. In the meantime we have implemented a freeze on expenses within our control. The significant reserves noted on our balance sheet belong to the ministers in the retirement program and they cannot and will not be used for operating expenses.

For the purpose of protecting minister's accounts and compliance with Federal law we maintain two separate accounts for the retirement program and our daily operating fund. When reporting to this Convention we do combine the reports and you will note the term "Consolidated" on the income and expense report as well as the balance sheet. This is done for clarity and to make the scope and operation of this program more



understandable.

The investment returns for the minister's retirement turned positive this year but not enough to offset the previous year's loss. Most experts agree that the climb out of this recession will be slow and difficult but we take some comfort in this year's positive return. Ministers are allowed to choose the method in which their funds are invested and stock market investments can and do lose money.

**The Free Will Baptist Minister's Program  
Financial Report  
12/31/2009  
Consolidated Balance Sheet**

**ASSETS**

Cash in Banks	\$489,717
Deposits with CFA	7,253
Equity Holdings (Stocks, bonds, etc)	896,551
Office Equip	450

<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$1,393,971</b>
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**LIABILITIES**

Retirement Reserve	\$1,235,095
Accruals	33,864
Fund Balance	\$125,012

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$1,393,971</b>
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**Consolidated  
Income and Expense  
12/31/2009**

	<b>2010 Budget</b>	<b>2009 Actual</b>	<b>2009 Budget</b>
<b>INCOME</b>			
Church/ Ind. Contributions	75,000	77,854	78,000
Interest and Dividend	55,000	98,175	45,000
Retirement Contributions	100,000	99,586	95,000
Widows and Ministers Fund	-0-	8,455	-0-
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>230,000</b>	<b>284,070</b>	<b>218,000</b>

<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>2010 Budget</b>	<b>2009 Actual</b>	<b>2009 Budget</b>
Insurance Premiums	2,000	1,865	2,000
Retirement Benefits	136,620	77,928	127,620
Retirement Distribution	3,000	2,572	3,000
Hardship Grants	3,000	-0-	3,000
Christmas Cheer	15,000	15,300	15,000
Professional Fees	7,000	5,198	4,000
Office Expense	19,000	20,360	18,000
Board and Director Expense	7,000	6,266	8,000
Director	26,000	26,000	26,000
Retirement	7,400	7,400	7,400
Payroll Taxes	3,980	4,739	3,980
Widows and Minister's Fund	-0-	8,400	-0-
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>230,000</b>	<b>176,028</b>	<b>218,000</b>
<b>Retirement Reserve</b>		<b>106,901</b>	
<b>(LOSS) OR GAIN</b>		<b>1,141</b>	

See management's accompanying notes.

- 1) This financial report was prepared by management.
- 2) The accounting firm of Page and Smith, PA, CPAs provides a quarterly compilation report, and a consolidated year end statement to the Board of Directors, a copy of which has been provided to the Executive Committee of the Convention.
- 3) The Minister's Retirement Program is regularly valued and certified by the AON Consulting, an internationally recognized benefits firm.
- 4) At the end of the 12/31/09 fiscal year the Minister's Program had deposits with Church Finance Association, Inc. Due to changes in the law relating to retirement programs these funds will be withdrawn. The director of the Minister's Program is employed part time with the CFA.

# **THE FREE WILL BAPTIST MINISTER'S PROGRAM**

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252-523-5800**



**Fifty-Ninth Annual Report  
to the  
Convention of Original Free Will Baptists**

***Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.***

Mount Olive College was established by the North Carolina Convention of Free Will Baptists in September 1951 to provide a program of Christian higher education. For nearly six decades, the College has dedicated itself to the development of students in an environment nurtured by Christian values and is committed to the following ideals:

- To student learning which prepares graduates both to make a living and to live a caring, ethical life.
- To academic quality with a personal touch.
- To a wholesome, safe environment informed by Christian values.
- To keeping the cost of Mount Olive College affordable.

The essential values that undergirded the establishment of the College remain alive and continue to flourish. Although the core values and commitments have remained intact since its founding, Mount Olive College has become a very different institution. From its roots as a two-year college, it has expanded into a four-year institution. From its roots as an institution serving the needs of traditional-age men and women at its campus in Mount Olive, it has expanded to include degree completion programs at RTP, Washington, New Bern, Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, Jacksonville, Wilmington and the Evening College at Mount Olive College. Admittedly, these programs serve different constituencies. Young people have the flexibility to enroll in classes during the day and participate in an extensive variety of organizations and activities – both on and off campus. Adults, most of whom have full-time jobs, families, and other obligations, enroll in the classes held at the various locations in the evening in order to pursue their educational dreams. Mount Olive College and its programs have undergone incredible expansion, now to the point where the total number of students being served at all seven locations exceeds 4500. Despite the rapid growth, however, the core commitments remain the same: to provide a quality educational experience in an environment that promotes Christian faith, values, and ideals.

Central to the mission of the College is the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists. In fact, Mount Olive College maintains a special relationship with the Church as one of the Church's ministries. Therefore, the College has an obligation and responsibility to be of service to the Convention and to demonstrate how the College is living its faith. While many higher education institutions with a religious affiliation are drifting apart from their religious traditions and roots, this clearly is not the case at Mount Olive College. In fact, we understand that we are in a mutual ministry, and the challenge is to find ways in which we can be supportive of the mission and ministry of each other. Opportunities for partnership are numerous,

and I am pleased with the way in which the Church and the College are entering into significant discussions to see how we can further benefit each other.

Romans 12: 2 states "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." Thus, it is fitting and proper that the tag line for Mount Olive College is "Transforming Education, Transforming Lives." This is more than just a slogan: it provides evidence of our success and commitment to engagement. Mount Olive College has been transforming education in several innovative ways, such as the following:

- Mount Olive College has been a leader in establishing new educational locations to serve the needs of adult students. It is our expectation that we will enhance the service role of each of these locations as educational providers to their respective communities.
- Mount Olive College is the first college in North Carolina to offer a means by which students who have the drive and focus to do so are able to complete a baccalaureate degree in three years.
- Mount Olive College has created a Success Advocate program to help students navigate their first year of college. Similar to a case management approach, all entering students are assigned a Success Advocate, someone who is charged with coordinating communications on the student's behalf. This program ensures that we are serving the needs of each and every individual student.

These are but a few of the transformational activities at the College; more are being designed and will be enacted. There is a renewed commitment to expanding the programs, services, and facilities on the Mount Olive campus. We are committed to serving the whole student: not just academically, but spiritually, emotionally, socially, and physically as well.

The College is blessed to have the time, talents, and treasures of so many members of the Church to support our mission. Similarly, it is imperative for the College to find ways that we can reciprocate in kind to the Church:

- Mount Olive College is equipping students with the skills necessary for them to become leaders in the Church, community, and nation.
- Through the Free Will Baptist Historical Collection, Mount Olive College provides the resource facilities to aid the Church in researching and perpetuating the history of the Church.
- The Office of Church Support is devoted to being a listening ear and a helping hand to all churches. It strives to help fill the gap of need in any way possible. It is the mission of Church Support to be a genuine friend to the Church and interact with various leaders and constituents of the church.

Please know that the support that the College has received from the Convention is significant and appreciated. We promise to be faithful stewards of the resources that you have entrusted with us. We will keep you in our prayers, and trust that you will keep us in yours.



## **Recommendations to the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists:**

1. That the Convention officially adopts this annual report of Mount Olive College.
2. That the Convention continues to designate February and July as Christian Education months and that Sunday Schools and churches be encouraged to designate Fifth Sundays as scholarship days for the benefit of Original Free Will Baptist students attending Mount Olive College.
3. That the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists prays faithfully for the College, and that those who lead and serve Mount Olive College will work earnestly as God's agents for the transformation of women and men.
4. That the Convention rallies the churches to encourage their members to consider Mount Olive College as their choice for higher education at the location and in the program that will best serve their needs.
5. That the Convention encourages all churches to prayerfully and financially support Mount Olive College.

Philip P. Kerstetter  
C. Darrell Horne



## **Note to Financial Statements**

Fiscal Year 2009 (FY09) was a difficult year for the College. The endowment declined by \$2,500,000. Additionally, there was an operational deficit of approximately \$800,000 due to expenses associated with opening two new residence halls and establishing the new educational location at Jacksonville. In response, we have revised our Fiscal Year 2010 (FY10) budget by trimming non-personnel expenses so that the targeted increase in net assets from operations increased to just under \$2,400,000. We deemed this action necessary to rebuild our reserves.

Also, note that in the budget, both the "Other Contribution" revenue and the "Scholarships" expense lines are lower than in previous years, due to the elimination of outside federal and state financial aid. Removing these presents a clearer picture of both what we receive in contributions from others, and what we spend on financial aid that is not reimbursed.

Wilbur M. Alling,  
Vice President for Finance and Treasurer

**Mount Olive College, Inc. and Affiliate**  
**Statement of Financial Position (Audited)**  
as of June 30, 2009

**Assets:**

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,608,466
Accounts Receivable, net of doubtful accounts	5,778,872
Contributions receivable, net	1,726,739
Investments	12,217,472
Prepaid expenses	586,507
Cash value of Life Insurance, net of loans	388,396
Student loans receivable	376,986
Other assets	990,520
Land, buildings and equipment, net of depreciation	29,384,968
Beneficial Interests in Perpetual Trusts	6,801,794
	<u>\$ 59,860,720</u>

**Liabilities:**

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 4,099,369
Deferred revenues	2,080,855
Lines of credit	4,442,832
Deposits	385,160
Refundable advances	376,986
Obligations under Capital leases	616,433
Long term debt	25,651,636
Obligations under split-interest agreements	1,140,675
Total liabilities	<u>38,793,946</u>

**Net Assets:**

Unrestricted	(5,829,958)
Temporarily restricted	4,376,739
Permanently restricted	22,519,993
Total net assets	<u>21,066,774</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 59,860,720</u>

# Mount Olive College, Inc. and Affiliate

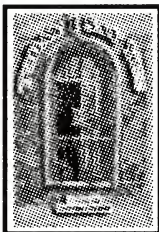
## Statement of Activities

	College only Unrestricted FY09 budget	Consolidated Audit FY09	College only Unrestricted FY10 budget
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Tuition and fees	\$ 29,778,399	\$ 28,273,071	\$ 33,213,064
OFWB contributions	1,000,000	1,007,413	1,000,000
Other Contributions	11,693,869	11,034,565	565,000
Endowment income	309,000	601,401	446,602
Other income	543,000	145,793	275,000
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments	-	(2,504,492)	-
Auxiliary enterprise revenues	2,186,813	3,797,766	2,750,975
<b>Total revenues and gains</b>	<b>45,511,081</b>	<b>42,355,517</b>	<b>38,250,641</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>			
Instruction	\$ 7,599,605	\$ 9,318,406	\$ 8,080,201
Academic support	6,019,668	5,649,970	6,476,010
Student services	3,235,191	5,180,787	3,415,158
Institutional support	9,634,205	6,548,089	8,461,685
Plant Maintenance	3,164,053	3,178,302	3,561,725
Scholarships	13,679,500	11,879,949	4,250,000
<b>Total educational and general expenses</b>	<b>43,332,222</b>	<b>41,755,503</b>	<b>34,244,779</b>
Auxiliary enterprise expenses	1,578,676	3,893,976	1,618,166
<b>Total expenses and losses</b>	<b>44,910,898</b>	<b>45,649,479</b>	<b>35,862,945</b>
<b>Increase in net assets from operations</b>	<b>\$ 600,183</b>	<b>\$ (3,293,962)</b>	<b>\$ 2,387,696</b>
<b>Net assets at beginning of year</b>		<b>24,360,736</b>	
<b>Net assets at end of year</b>		<b>\$ 21,066,774</b>	

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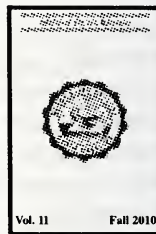
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*Greetings from the Board of Directors, management and staff of the Free Will Baptist Press to this the ninety-eighth session of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptist in this our one hundred and thirty seventh year of service to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and to the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists.*

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## **Mission**



*"To serve the churches and ministries of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists by providing any and all religious and educational materials as deemed desirable in a manner consistent with the beliefs and practices of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists."*

## Notes From Cliff

*During the past year we were able to purchase new furniture for the editorial staff and an image setter for the printing department. All of this was due to the outpouring of financial support through our capital campaign. For this support, we are very grateful to each of you who participated. As you have seen the quality of our printing has improved because of the new equipment.*

*As we prepare for the future we must continuously upgrade not only our equipment but our building as well. To this end we are now seeking funds to refurbish the interior of the Kinston Bible and Bookstore. Please consider continuing to participate in the capital campaign as we continue to upgrade our facilities.*

*The FWB Press and its bookstores are yours. With that said when you are in need of Christian merchandise i.e. Bibles, music, books dealing with Christian subjects, Sunday School literature or gift items please consider shopping at your own Bible and Bookstores. Available also are wedding invitations, programs and napkins. We have capabilities for almost any of your printing needs. Whether it is for your church, your business or for you personally please give us the opportunity to supply these needs.*

*As we all know, the economy today is affecting the spending habits of many of our members. We all know or know of people who have lost their jobs. Many businesses have been forced to close or lay off employees. The FWB Press is not immune to these difficult financial times. As of today, we have not found ourselves in the position where we would have to lay off any employees. This is because of the need to read and study God's word in hard times as well as good times. We have seen a decrease in our commercial printing income however our bookstore and Sunday School literature sales are remaining level. With this in mind, we ask that you please continue to support the press through prayers and purchases.*

*If we can ever be of assistance to you or your church please do not hesitate to contact us.*

*Cliff Gray  
cliff@fwbpress.com*

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TUESDAY NIGHT-THURSDAY.**



**Free Will Baptist Foundation, Inc.**  
**Statement of Net Income**  
Year ending June 30, 2009

**ASSETS**

**Current Assets**

Cash	\$ 60,704
Accounts receivable	42,540
Inventories at lower of cost (first-in, first-out) of market	946,617
Prepaid expenses	4,441
Prepaid NC Income Taxes	-0-
Estimated Refund INC Tax	-0-
<b>-Total Current Assets-</b>	<u>1,054,302</u>

**Plant, Property, and Equipment**

Fixed Assets	992,373
Less accumulated depreciation	805,680
<b>Plant, Property, and Equipment—Net</b>	<u>186,693</u>

**Other Assets**

Securities—at cost	<u>10,995</u>
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**Total Assets**

\$ 1,251,990

**LIABILITIES AND MEMBERSHIPS' EQUITY**

**Current Liabilities**

Notes payable—current portion	\$ 7,835
Accounts payable	88,428
Income taxes payable	-0-
Accrued taxes	4,951
<b>-Total Current Liabilities-</b>	<u>101,214</u>

**Long-Term Debt**

	<u>170,811</u>
<b>-Total Current Liabilities-</b>	<u>272,025</u>

**Memberships' Equity**

Membership certificates	
1,011 @ \$10	10,110
1,283 @ \$25	34,700
Additional paid in capital	55,517
Retained earnings	879,638
<b>-Total Memberships' Equity-</b>	<u>979,965</u>

**Total Liabilities And Memberships' Equity**

\$ 1,251,990

# Free Will Baptist Foundation, Inc.

## Statement of Net Income

Year ending June 30, 2009

	2009 Budget	Actual	2010 Budget
<b>Revenue</b>			
Merchandise	\$ 450,000	\$ 409,354	\$ 425,000
Literature	735,000	731,553	728,000
Subscriptions	33,000	26,184	33,000
Job Work	185,000	197,892	180,000
Other Revenues	80,000	100,034	80,000
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>1,483,000</b>	<b>1,465,017</b>	<b>1,446,000</b>
<b>Cost and Expenses</b>			
Cost of Sales	870,000	893,226	860,000
Selling and Advertising Expense	490,000	479,754	465,000
Interest Expense	26,000	23,814	25,000
Depreciation	20,000	29,440	21,000
Employee Benefits	59,000	48,604	58,000
<b>Total Cost and Expenses</b>	<b>1,465,000</b>	<b>1,474,838</b>	<b>1,429,000</b>
<b>Income Before Income Taxes</b>	<b>18,000</b>	<b>(9,821)</b>	<b>17,000</b>
<b>Income Tax Expense</b>		-0-	
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>		<b>\$ (9,821)</b>	





# FOUNDATION CURRICULUM

## Dated Sunday School Curriculum for:

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- Ending Prayers

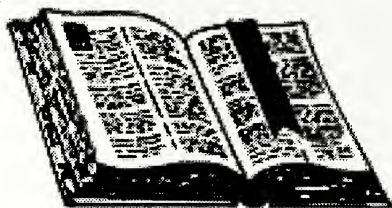
## Scope and Sequence:

FALL 2010 GOD the Inescapable God Exodus, Psalms 8, 19, 46, 47, 63, 66, 90, 91, 139	WINTER 2010–2011 HOPE Assuring Hope Isaiah, Matthew, Mark	SPRING 2011 WORSHIP We Worship God Matthew, Mark, 1 & 2 Timothy, Philipians 2	SUMMER 2011 COMMUNITY God Instructs His People Joshua, Judges, Ruth
FALL 2011 TRADITION Tradition and Wisdom Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon, Esther, Matthew	WINTER 2011–2012 FAITH God Establishes A Faithful People Genesis, Exodus, Luke, Galatians	SPRING 2012 CREATION God's Creative Word John	SUMMER 2012 JUSTICE God Calls for Justice Exodus, Leviticus, Deuteronomy, 1 & 2 Samuel, 1 & 2 Kings, 2 Chronicles, Psalm 146, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel
FALL 2012 FAITH A Living Faith Psalm 56, 1 Corinthians 13:1–13, Hebrews, Acts	WINTER 2012–2013 GOD: JESUS CHRIST Jesus Is Lord Ephesians, Philipians, Colossians	SPRING 2013 HOPE Beyond the Present Time Daniel, Luke, Acts, 1 & 2 Peter, 1 & 2 Thessalonians	SUMMER 2013 WORSHIP God's People Worship Isaiah, Ezra, Nehemiah



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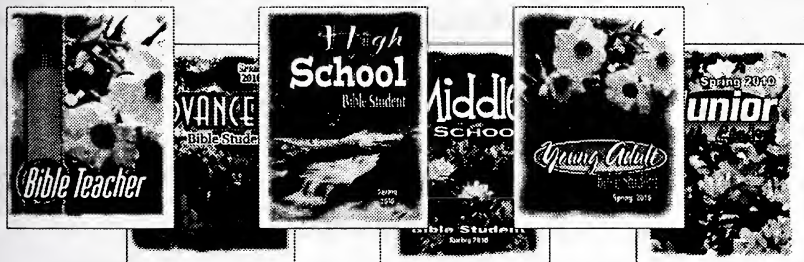
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Retirement Ministry

## ***Free Will Baptist Retirement Homes, Inc***

### ***Annual Report to the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists***

**According to my earnest EXPECTATION and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death. Philippians 1:20**

Greetings in the name of our Lord, Jesus.

The ability to help our people has been blessed this past year due to the generosity of our people and churches. As more application are received, it becomes increasingly harder to take care of all the needs of our people. God is so good and this ministry will continue to be blessed through the combined efforts of all Conferences and Associations. It all comes down to our motto, "People Helping People in Jesus' Name."

Goal for 2010: To add as many clients as necessary to make sure all needs are met.

We make the following recommendations to our Convention:

- 1- That January continue to be designated as Retirement Homes Month.
- 2- That Sunday, January 16, 2011, be designated Retirement Homes Sunday.
- 3- That our churches invite the Executive Director to visit and share the program and needs of Retirement Homes Ministry and its clients. Call the Executive Director at the Headquarters (252) 746-4963 or on cell (910) 330-3818.
- 4- That our Convention and our churches endorse and support our proposed budget and pray for this ministry and its clients.

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## Disability Equipment Availability Program

We provide necessary equipment for people with short-term or long-term physical disabilities. We have hospital beds, wheelchairs, recliner / lift-chairs, walkers, crutches, canes, etc. Contact us to see if we can help meet the need of your situation.

Also, we will accept a donation of equipment or funds to purchase new equipment.

If you know of anyone who has disability equipment please encourage them to contact Retirement Homes to see if it could be used in our program. Also, if you or your church group would like to purchase an item of equipment please contact us. We have a source for purchasing equipment at very good prices.

***PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR MINISTRY,  
ESPECIALLY OUR CLIENTS AND OUR STAFF***

**Free Will Baptist Retirement Homes, Inc.**

**Balance Sheet**

**As of December 31, 2008**

**ASSETS**

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

BB&T

26,268.01

BB&T CD-928

34,805.22

Total Checking/Savings

61,073.23

Other Current Assets

Burress Endowment

306.80

Church Finance Reserve Account

20,336.29

Total Other Current Assets

20,643.09

Total Current Assets

81,716.32

Fixed Assets

Duplex

80,000.00

Office Equipment

19,489.24

Office Furniture

3,455.78

Power Street Storage Building

105,000.00

Total Fixed Assets

207,945.02

**TOTAL ASSETS**

**289,661.34**

**LIABILITIES & EQUITY**

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Other Current Liabilities

Payroll Liabilities

264.00

Total Current Liabilities

264.00

Equity

Opening Bal Equity

216,697.16

Retained Earnings

75,671.59

Net Income

-2,971.41

Total Equity

289,397.34

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY**

**289,661.34**

**Free Will Baptist Retirement Homes, Inc.**  
**Budget Statement**

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>2009 Budget</b>	<b>2009 Actual</b>	<b>2010 Budget</b>
Church Contributions	\$79,000.00	\$82,339.20	\$79,000.00
Individual Contributions	3,500.00	4,844.39	3,500.00
Interest	1,500.00	1,746.65	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	100.00	6,803.12	100.00
Refunds	200.00	27.10	200.00
Residents Contributions	4,800.00	7,354.00	6,600.00
Storage Reimbursement	200.00	225.00	200.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$89,300.00</b>	<b><u>103,339.46</u></b>	<b><u>\$90,600.00</u></b>
<b>Difference</b>		<b><u>+\$7,339.46</u></b>	<b><u>+1,300.00</u></b>
 <b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Accounting / Legal	700.00	959.00	700.00
Bank Charges	50.00	0.00	50.00
Board Meetings & Expense	400.00	162.87	400.00
Convention Expense	500.00	162.87	500.00
Copier/copies	100.00	31.59	100.00
Expansion	500.00	0.00	500.00
Gifts	975.00	1,285.00	900.00
Insurance	1,600.00	1,547.68	1,600.00
Memorials	100.00	0.00	100.00
Miscellaneous	500.00	1,529.76	500.00
Office Rent & Service Fee	3,170.00	3,168.00	3,170.00
Office Supplies & Equipment	2,000.00	3,227.97	2,000.00
Placement Services	9,000.00	8,008.00	9,000.00
Postage	600.00	332.34	700.00
Promotional Materials	1,000.00	563.35	1,000.00
Property Taxes	1,105.00	1,081.92	1,250.00
Repairs / Maintenance	2,000.00	8,978.85	3,000.00
Resident Utilities	8,000.00	6,952.85	8,130.00
Salaries and Benefits	26,400.00	30,137.50	26,400.00
Social Security & W/H Taxes	2,600.00	2,305.47	2,600.00
Supplemental Housing			
-Support Program	23,700.00	20,400.00	23,700.00
Supplemental Support Services	200.00	30.79	200.00
Telephone Service (fax & internet)	700.00	590.67	700.00
Travel	2,000.00	882.73	2,000.00
Workshops & seminars	500.00	345.17	500.00
Utilities/Power Street Building	<u>900.00</u>	<u>594.31</u>	<u>900.00</u>
<b>Total Operating Expense</b>	<b>\$89,300.00</b>	<b><u>\$93,239.64</u></b>	<b><u>\$90,600.00</u></b>
<b>Difference</b>		<b><u>-\$2,760.36</u></b>	<b><u>+1,300.00</u></b>

The financial report was prepared by management and a copy of the Annual Compilation will be forwarded to the Executive Committee when completed.

# Original Free Will Baptist Sunday School Board

## Convention Report May 2010



Greetings from the members of the Sunday School Board to the officers, delegates, ministers and visitors to the 2010 Convention of Original Free Will Baptists!

Interest in the growth of our churches through the Sunday School is expanding each year as churches get involved in programs and efforts to understand that the church is a 'needs meeting station'. The small groups of the Sunday School provide a perfect place to train people in the implementation of evangelism through spreading the Word. Our resources are being tapped as never before. Are we utilizing our Sunday School hour for evangelism? Are we stressing motivation and application of our Sunday School lessons as they are being taught? Are we tapping into our resources to assist parents in training their children? Have we grasped the idea of the church being more than a building? If not, why not?

The Annual Sunday School Institute continues to grow and provide learning opportunities for our churches. It is held each year at Mount Olive College on the first weekend of March. The activities of the Institute come from the evaluations provided by the participants each year. On March 5, Brother Ron Hunter provided enlightening information concerning the Connection of Church and Home. On March 6, over 48 workshops were offered at the Institute for help in growing our churches. Customized assistance is offered to assess the local church's Christian Education efforts. Is your church taking advantage of this resource?

At the Annual Sunday School Institute, the 2010 Superintendent of the Year and the Teacher of the Year were announced. In 2010, there were 19 people nominated for these awards from 12 churches. Each year more churches come on board. Each winner receives a check for \$1,500 to enhance their role in their local church. Our thanks go to Dr. Thomas R. Morris for his belief in sharing the love of God with others through the Original Free Will Baptist denomination by funding these awards each year.

King's Crossroads Original Free Will Baptist Church in the Central Conference was spotlighted at the Institute for the church's commitment to church growth through learning and service. The pastor is the Reverend Bruce Jones. We will be spotlighting a church each year at the Institute in order for us to share in the excitement felt in our various churches.

The Sunday School Board funded 39 camp scholarships in the '*Kids to Camp*' program thanks to the generosity of many different individuals and organizations. There were 17 folks who attended the minister's wives and / or widows Spiritual Life Retreat. This included "*Sisters*" and workers. "*The Cinderella Sisters*" Support Group has been formed to help wives and widows. Invite the Director to come to your church to share these particular programs since they are expanding rapidly. A highlight of the year was the hiring of an Assistant to the Director, Mrs. Gail Heath, wife of the Reverend Tim Heath. She is adding much to the ministry.

The Sunday School Board wishes to thank each of you for your prayers, thoughtful letters offering suggestions for growth and your gracious monetary contributions. Again, we pledge to do our best to spread the message of Jesus Christ and to be faithful stewards of your care, concern and contributions. If you wish to have a seminar, workshop, study course or revival services devoted to Sunday School or Christian Education at your church, union, conference, youth meeting or auxiliary, please contact Mary Dudley at (252) 568 - 3311(home), (252) 559-3327 (cell) or (252) 746-4963 (work).



**Help the Original Free Will Baptist Sunday School Board  
celebrate its 70th birthday this year. 1940 - 2010**

**Original Free Will Baptist Sunday School Board  
Statement of Commitment**

**Mission Statement:** The mission of the Original Free Will Baptist Sunday School Board is to assist churches in developing the knowledge, skills and attitudes that will enable people to go, teach and make disciples in each of our communities.

**Vision Statement:** The vision of the Original Free Will Baptist Sunday School Board is to maintain its commitment to teaching and learning for everyone while remaining true to the belief that the message of salvation comes through Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

We believe we will maintain this commitment by:

- promoting the overall improvement and growth of the local Sunday schools,
- providing a qualified resource person or team of persons to facilitate appropriate learning opportunities for the church and other organizations,
- promoting and / or developing practical teaching and learning materials that will enable people to understand the need to balance the study of the scriptures while building relationships and evangelism,
- sponsoring workshops / seminars to promote and enhance Christian education,
- continuously praying and searching for strategies to equip people to respond to God's call according to each individual's unique gift,
- adhering to the *Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists (Of the English General Baptist Heritage)*.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO REMEMBER**

1. **2010 Leadership Banquet—May 19, 2010 at Mt. Olive College with Brother Keith Kenemer will join Mrs. Dudley as speakers.**
2. **Saturday, March 5-6, 2011 - 70th Annual Institute at Mt. Olive College**
3. **Regional Training Opportunities in two different locations**
4. **Contributions and/or requests for information or materials can be sent to:**  
**OFWB Sunday School Board      or      Mary Dudley**  
**P.O. Box 39      1770 Will Cunningham Road**  
**Ayden, N. C. 28513      Deep Run, N. C. 28525**
6. **Ministers' Wives Spiritual Life Retreat - Cragmont Assembly**  
**Date: January 27 - 30, 2011.**
7. **Make all checks payable to OFWB Sunday School Board.**
8. **Web address: [www.ofwbsundayschool.org](http://www.ofwbsundayschool.org)**  
**[director@ofwbsundayschool.org](mailto:director@ofwbsundayschool.org)**

This report is submitted on behalf of the Original Free Will Baptist  
Sunday School Board.

Mary Dudley, Executive Director and Treasurer  
Gail Heath, Assistant to the Director

The Reverend Terry Ellis, Chairman  
Mrs. Kitty Barnes, Secretary  
Mrs. Brenda Best, Assistant Secretary  
Mr. Heath Conner

The Reverend Roger Hill, Vice Chairman  
Mrs. Nancy Cale  
The Reverend Mike Williams  
Mr. Wayne Hicks



## Sunday School Ministry Five Year Goals

Continue the ongoing goals to assist in growing the church through the Sunday School program.

- Continue the expansion of the Resource Library to include a Music Library at the Headquarters to assist Christian Education workers and church musicians
- Continue to focus our attention on the Life on Loan journey with our churches to include small group ministries
- Expand the current program of workshops and seminars
- Expand the learning opportunities as feasible
- Prepare study guides to encourage Biblical study
- Update certification requirements for teachers and superintendents
- Assist organizations in planning and implementing special events and retreats
- Continue to assist churches in Christian Education assessment
- Continue to send the newsletter, eTEACH, an electronic newsletter
- Offer a Nursery Procedures Manual to all churches
- Assist churches in their awareness of the need to remove barriers for those people with disabilities
- Update the Sunday School Handbook as needed
- Continue the partnerships with other ministries
- Continue to co-sponsor the Coastal Satellite of the Mid-Atlantic Christian Education Association
- Expand the Camp Scholarship Program
- Continue to expand the Ministers' Wives and Widows Retreat
- **Continue the search for a proper vehicle to develop a Mobile Ministry in partnership with the Free Will Baptist Press**

### RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That this report to the Convention be adopted and thereby support the 2010 budget;
2. That the Convention continue to designate February as Sunday School Month with February 27, 2011 being set aside as Sunday School Rally Day in all OFWB churches;
3. That the Convention encourage each church to include the Sunday School Board Ministry's work in their budgets and continue to pray for its work as it expands;
4. That all our churches strive to seek strategies to speak to the needs of the 18 - 30 age group, especially those who have small children as well as those who are single and seeking the Lord.

# Original Free Will Baptist Sunday School Board Ministry

## Budget Statement

January 1, 2009 - December 31, 2009

	2009 Budget	2009 Actual	2010 Proposed
<b>INCOME</b>			
Church Contributions	\$ 60,300.00	\$51,451.15	\$ 60,300.00
Individuals	3,500.00	4,872.78	3,500.00
Institute	3,700.00	3,410.00	3,700.00
Banquet	1,200.00	1,118.00	1,200.00
Seminars/Retreats	3,000.00	3,388.00	3,000.00
Union / Conference Contr.	3,500.00	5,146.22	3,500.00
Miscellaneous	1,100.00	1,469.00	1,100.00
Transferred from Savings		3,469.20	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 60,000.00</b>	<b>\$74,324.35</b>	<b>\$ 76,300.00</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>			
Youth Programs	\$12,200.00	\$12,160.00	\$ 11,000.00
Printing and Postage	5,000.00	4,486.56	5,000.00
Seminars and Conferences	2,800.00	2,800.62	2,800.00
Banquet and Institute	4,400.00	4,486.58	4,500.00
Board Travel	1,315.00	1,391.14	1,400.00
Administration	38,425.00	34,950.37	38,720.00
Resource Center	1,100.00	1,055.82	1,000.00
Office Expenses	9,160.00	9,137.32	10,630.00
Awards Program	250.00	187.00	250.00
Promotional Materials	1,000.00	963.14	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	650.00	1,412.45	-0-
<b>Total Operating Expense</b>	<b>\$ 76,300.00</b>	<b>\$ 73,031.00</b>	<b>\$76,300.00</b>
<b>Beginning Cash</b>			<b>\$ 61,897.32</b>
<b>Income</b>			<b>74,324.35</b>
Reinstate a lost check			<b>50.00</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>			<b>73,031.00</b>
Adjustment in Administration costs			<b>2.57</b>
<b>Checkbook Balance</b>			<b>63,238.10</b>
<b>Savings Plus Interest</b>			<b>16,919.44</b>
Southern Bank (5062568745)			11,180.57
Church Finance			5,738.87
<b>Total Financial Assets</b>			<b>80,157.54</b>
<b>Resource Center Inventory</b>			<b>14,749.43</b>
<b>Office Equipment</b>			<b>21,190.75</b>
<b>Gifts in Kind Through December 31, 2006</b>			<b>79,100.00</b>
<b>Sub - Total</b>			<b>\$ 195,197.72</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>			<b>\$ 195,197.72</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			<b>none</b>
<b>Net Worth</b>			<b>\$195,197.72</b>

[This financial statement was prepared by management and is unaudited.]

## REPORT OF CAROLINA BIBLE INSTITUTE & SEMINARY TO THE 2010 CONVENTION OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Greetings from the entire Board of Trustees, the staff, and the student body of Carolina Bible Institute and Seminary to the officers, delegates, and Churches of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists and its member conferences and associations. It is with great joy and thanksgiving for the privilege that we share in this convention and make this report.

In the year since the Convention met, God has blessed the ministry of Carolina Bible Institute & Seminary tremendously. Not only has He blessed us with the opportunity to minister His Word to more individuals, but He has opened doors of opportunity to expand this ministry in new and exciting ways. Both fall and spring semesters saw larger enrollments than ever before. Our on-campus enrollment has remained level and the external studies department has significantly increased. During the past school year, classes were held at our campus in Pine Level, NC as well as extension classes at the Fremont OFWB Church and the Mount Zion OFWB Church in Nash County. With the current economic conditions, we recognize the importance of providing study opportunities for God's people that provide flexibility both in time and travel. This is evidenced by the increased enrollment in the external studies program. For this reason we are in the process of developing our entire curriculum for external studies. We believe the external studies program we are developing is unique in both its scope and procedures. In this program, students will have opportunity to do work in self-paced study, as well as classroom participation through electronic media. Needless to say, we are excited about what God is doing at Carolina Bible Institute & Seminary.

Another area in which God has blessed this ministry is through access to the entire world via the internet. We have recently updated our web presence with a completely new website. The web address is [www.cbibible.com](http://www.cbibible.com). May I encourage you to visit our website often. It is designed to provide as much information about the ministry of CBIS as is practical in this format. There is much detail available on each page, as well as a changing page entitled, "News To Use," on which we provide information of current happenings.

We continue to develop our publishing ministry to provide books and publications that are relevant and useful to the current needs of individuals and Churches. In addition to the two books already published – *"Original Free Will Baptists Believe"* and *"And The Lord Said . . . A Study of the Doctrine of the Bible,"* we have recently published a booklet entitled, *"A Study Into The Controversy Of Ordaining Women,"* by Rev. Norman Gordon, Jr. Several other manuscripts are in the process of being prepared for publication.

Because of the expansion of our programs, we are in need of additional space. Our Board of Trustees voted at the beginning of this year to enter into a building program. We have established a *"Building Fund"* and have already had contributions made into this fund. We are planning two building projects. One will be a new building to provide facilities for video production of our external studies program, as well as other video productions, expanded classroom facilities and administrative offices. The other project will involve

the building of a special teaching facility. Contact has been made with an organization in Arkansas to provide the necessary details for the completion of this special teaching facility and its completion will enable us to provide a learning opportunity that is unequalled on the East Coast. We would welcome your involvement in our building fund so that these projects can come to fruition quickly and we will be able to provide the opportunities for our people and Churches to have access to unparalleled Biblical training.

In November 2009, we conducted our annual Friendship Banquet at the Unity OFWB Church in Wilson, NC. We enjoyed a wonderful time of fellowship, good food, good singing, and great preaching. We were privileged to share with our friends and those who attended with a desire to learn about the ministry of Carolina Bible Institute & Seminary, the blessings of the Lord and the plans for the future ministry of CBIS. We also presented our two stewardship programs and recognized those who participate in them. Our oldest stewardship program is called "*Cross Bearers*." Jesus instructed His followers to *take up your cross and follow Him*. This program invites you to share in this ministry by *taking up the cross of financial involvement* in this ministry. The other stewardship program is called "*You Be The Judge*." It uses the stories of the Judges of Israel to allow those led of the Lord to become involved financially in this ministry by becoming one of *Gideon's 300*, a *Judge Shamgar*, or a *Judge Samson* – all of which involve different levels of financial commitment to the school. As stated earlier, we would welcome your involvement in any way the Lord may lead you.

2011 will begin our new five year program for advancement. This plan will consist of the following:

1. to continue to evaluate and improve our current programs
2. to seek new and innovative methods of providing Biblical education opportunities for God's people and the Churches of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists
3. to expand our research facilities, both physically on campus and through expanded use of electronic media
4. to work diligently to encourage, by teaching and example, the adherence to the authority of the Word of God and the necessity of the practice of Biblical standards, that the Church of Jesus Christ may be bound together in the unity of beliefs and practices that souls may be brought to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and that Almighty God may be honored and glorified.

May I close this report on a personal note. As you are aware, Carolina Bible Institute and Seminary was founded in 1973 by Dr. Floyd B. Cherry. Dr. Cherry passed away in 2006 and his widow, Mrs. Edith Cherry, has remained a resident of their home in Pine Level since his death. This past year her only son and his wife passed away and Mrs. Cherry, at age 90, has moved from her home in Pine Level to Pitt County to be near her daughter, Mrs. Linda Lockamy. Please remember Mrs. Cherry in your prayers as this is a very difficult time for her.

Rudy Owens - President



**CAROLINA BIBLE INSTITUTE & SEMINARY, INC.**  
**BALANCE SHEET - 2009**

		<b>Assets</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>			
	Petty Cash	\$ 111.68	
	Cash in Bank	<u>85,428.99</u>	
	Total Current Assets		\$ 85,540.67
<b>Property &amp; Equipment</b>			
	Buildings	\$178,680.00	
	Building Improvements	9,300.00	
	Furniture & Fixtures	5,800.00	
	Office Equipment	14,541.16	
	Land	20,200.00	
	Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(132,715.37)</u>	
	Total Property & Equipment		<u>95,805.79</u>
	<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>181,346.46</u></b>
<b>Liabilities &amp; Fund Balance</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
	Payroll Liabilities	\$ <u>1,200.90</u>	
	Total Current Liabilities		\$ 1,200.90
<b>Fund Balance</b>			
	Fund balance	\$ <u>180,145.56</u>	
	Total Fund Balance		\$ <u>180,145.56</u>
	<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>181,346.46</u></b>

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		<b><u>Budget for 2010</u></b>	
	Property Maintenance:	\$	17,700.00
	Operational:		25,700.00
	Special Meetings:		5,000.00
	Personnel:		63,140.00
	Miscellaneous:		2,460.00
	Building Fund		<u>6,000.00</u>
	<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>120,000.00</b>
<b>Projected Receipts</b>			
	Contribution from Free Will Baptist Churches	\$	73,000.00
	Other receipts:		<u>47,000.00</u>
	<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>120,000.00</b>

*This financial report was prepared by Management and the Annual Compilation prepared by Dolores B. Bailey, CPA, PLLC Accounting.*

## REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON EDUCATION FOR CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

The Commission on Education for Christian Ministry is charged with a great responsibility, that of encouraging those who are called to some type of Christian ministry to seize the opportunity to equip themselves for that service. Among the first steps we took in carrying out this purpose was to strongly advise those who feel called to Christian ministry to enroll in college. Since the Convention had established Mount Olive College at its beginning to help develop leadership for the churches as well as the ministries of the Convention, we urged those who are entering the ministry to begin their studies at Mount Olive College where they can obtain a good education and earn a degree that is recognized throughout the nation. Now several of those who are college graduates are seeking further preparation in divinity schools or seminaries. They are preparing themselves to provide the leadership that is needed for the future if our churches are to grow and achieve their mission in the world. Without capable leadership on the part of pastors and those who teach, who will "equip the saints for the work of ministry" in our time? (Eph. 4:11-12)

In addition to encouraging those who will serve as pastors or as leaders in the ministries of our Convention to prepare themselves for their calling, we want to encourage the laity to develop their gifts for ministry so that the services they perform will be acceptable to God. In keeping with New Testament teaching we believe that every believer is a minister who is called to exercise his or her gifts to build up the church and to bless their fellow believers by being the presence of Christ to them. Their service in the church is absolutely necessary for fulfilling the church's mission in the world. Therefore, it is important that they become fully informed as to the meaning of the gospel of Christ, its application to the life of the church, and its relevance to those outside the church.

With both pastors and laity in mind the Commission conducted a seminar on September 12, 2009 at First Free Will Baptist Church in Goldsboro. Using as our theme, "An Orientation to Christian Ministry," speakers addressed such topics as "Hearing God's Call to Christian Ministry" and "A Vision of Christian Ministry." In the afternoon session a panel presentation dealt with "The Scope of Christian Ministry" in which different types of ministry in the local church and in world missions were discussed. The response to this seminar was gratifying and we plan to sponsor similar programs in the future.

At a meeting of Convention officers and members of the various ordaining councils held at Johnston Union OFWB Church last June the Commission was asked to plan a program of continuing education for ministers. We have studied this matter, approved such a program, and have recommended it for adoption by the ordaining boards of the conferences affiliated with the Convention. In order for such a program to be effective, we believe it is up to the ordaining boards to authorize it and to give it their full support, including their recommending it to the conference for their adoption. Unless there is some authority in place to maintain a minimal level of participation, this program is not likely to succeed. Our desire is to help pastors and other leaders in the churches to develop the practice of lifelong learning, so that they can avail themselves of the knowledge and skills necessary for lasting and effective ministry.

Under this program of continuing education we have identified three types of educational experience by which persons may earn Continuing Education Units (CEUs). These are (1) Reading a book or books from a list suggested by fellow ministers, (2) Participation in seminars, workshops, or lecture series, or (3) Taking a college or seminary course designed for ministerial preparation. In each of these kinds of educational



experience it will be necessary to prepare a summary statement and application of that experience to be submitted along with the proper Report Form. More details of this program will be made available through the internet, courtesy of the Convention Headquarters. Any questions about this program may be directed to the chairman of the Commission by telephone (919-658-2343) or by email (mpelt3@nc.rr.com).

As the name of this commission suggests, our emphasis is on *education* as a means of improving and advancing all that we seek to accomplish as Original Free Will Baptists. We challenge all who are familiar with our heritage, who love the church, and who believe in its future to join us in this important effort.

The Commission on Education for Christian Ministry will conduct three workshops on Wednesday afternoon at the 98<sup>th</sup> session of the Convention on May 19, explaining how a candidate for the ministry or anyone who is already engaged in ministry can receive a quality education as preparation for the work to which he or she is called, and likewise how continuing education can be a means of lifelong learning that will benefit not only a minister's personal growth but will enrich the lives of so many others.

Commission Members: Dr. Michael Pelt, Chair, Mrs. Pam Braxton, Rev. Rudy Owens, Rev. Michael Bryan, Rev. Josh Whitfield, Dr. Deborah King, and Dr. Tommy Benson

# **Original Free Will Baptist Christian Layman's League Worldwide 2010 Annual Report**

Mr. President, Officers of the Convention, Ministers, Delegates, Brother and Sisters in Christ, I bring you greetings from the Convention Layman's League, Executive Committee and the Layman's League Board. We, the Laymen of the Original Free Will Baptist, have given ourselves to God by faith in Christ and have taken His Holy Word as written by the inspiration of God to further His Kingdom here on earth.

The Layman's League along with its Conference and local Church Leagues are on the move and getting involved in the work of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Our foundation is built upon the following:

## **PURPOSE:**

1. To bring men in the Original Free Will Baptist denomination together to promote fellowship and sharing.
2. To increase our knowledge and power in Jesus Christ.
3. To reach out and touch others for Christ.
4. To train and enhance our talents for the calling of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
5. To strengthen the fabric among all Original Free Will Baptist Laymen in our denomination to worship and serve God in unity. (I Corinthians 16:13)

## **GOAL:**

To exalt Christ through the agencies which God in His providences has provided for the people making up the Original Free Will Baptist Church. (Matthew 22:37)

## **MOTTO:**

"World-Wide Christian soldiers marching as to war, with the Cross and Flag of Jesus, going on before throughout the world".

## **THIS YEAR'S EVENTS:**

The Semi-Annual State Layman's League Convention was held on June 5, 2009 at Camp Vandemere, Vandemere, N. C.

The Layman's League Spiritual Life Retreat was held at Camp Vandemere on June 6, 2009

Theme: Teach Us to Pray

Section 1: "The Model Prayer" from Matthew 6:9-15 was presented by Rev. Ashley Trogdon

Section 2: "The Master Prayer" from John 17:1-26 was presented by Rev. Mike Scott.

## **CHURCH'S RECEIVING CHARTERS:**

Rock of Zion received it charter on December 13, 2009.

### **Endowment Fund:**

The Original Free Will Baptist Christian Layman's League Endowment at Mount Olive College was established on May 12, 1984. This endowment is used to support Original Free Will Baptist students studying Church Ministries. The Endowment Fund has a balance of \$16,163.10.

### **Original Free Will Baptist Christian Layman's League Board**

<b>2010</b>	<b>Conference</b>
William Armitage	Central
Herman Tyson	Eastern
C. D. Landerth	Central
Roy Wetherington	Eastern
 <b>2011</b>	
Eugene Dixon	Eastern
John Newton	Central
Elmer Harrell	Central
Richard Daniels	Eastern
 <b>2012</b>	
Michael Fredette	Central
Otis Gatlin	Eastern
Michael Griffin	Central
Russell Tyson	Eastern

### **Original Free Will Baptist Christian Layman's League Officers**

President	Roy Wetherington
Vice President	Michael Griffin
Secretary	Elmer Harrell
Treasurer	Russell Tyson
Pastoral Advisor	Reverend Mike Scott

Statement of Income and Expenses for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009.

Balance on hand January 1, 2009	\$ 2242.69
Amount received during the year	<u>1804.50</u>
Total	\$ 4047.19
 This Year's Expenses	 <u>1359.96</u>
Balance as of December 31, 2009	\$ 2687.23

**SPECIAL THANKS:**

Our Laymen would like to express a special thanks to all of our conferences and local churches for their support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roy Wetherington  
OFWB Christian Layman's League

# THE NORTH CAROLINA FOUNDATION

## FOR CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES

### Report to the Annual Session

## CONVENTION OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS

May 19, 20, 2010



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### **A Foundation for the Future of Original Free Will Baptists**

- Through the Foundation, Original Free Will Baptists have a means, heretofore not available, to advance the faith and work of our church.
- Priorities of the Foundation include scholarships for the education of those called to Christian ministry and endowments for churches, ministries of the Convention and other charities.

***Helping Good People Do Good Things***



## PROFILE

The Foundation is a Christian charity to which individuals, churches and other organizations may make gifts for charitable, religious, educational and humanitarian purposes. Contributions are tax-deductible under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as allowed by law.

## CRISIS IN MINISTRY

Because of the critical shortage of pastors and other church-related personnel who are equipped for the quality of services our churches and ministries need, a priority of the Foundation is to provide educational opportunities for those who are called to Christian Ministry. Over time, churches tend to settle at the level of their pastoral leadership.

Perhaps the most difficult task among Original Free Will Baptists today is to serve on a pastoral search committee. While we have some of the best prepared and most dedicated pastors in our history, there are not enough of them. The "Shepherd's Fund" (Scholarships for Christian Ministry) is addressed to this problem. Churches are encouraged to include this fund in their budgets. Checks should be made to the "N. C. Foundation For Christian Ministry" and earmarked for "Shepherd's Fund."

For scholarship purposes, the Foundation defines "Christian Ministry" as a vocation in an institution, organization or program that is under the auspices of the Church, including all ministries of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists. From fall semester 2006 through fall semester 2009, the Foundation has provided \$60,429 in scholarships for twenty-one students.

Information regarding scholarships and application forms may be obtained by addressing: NC Foundation For Christian Ministries, 619 West Main Street, Mount Olive, NC 28365.

### **Income to Shepherd's Fund (Calendar Years 2006-2009)** **(Scholarships for Christian Ministry)**

#### **I. Gifts**

##### **Individuals**

Dr. and Mrs. Michael R. Pelt  
Dr. and Mrs. W. Burkette Raper  
The Reverend and Mrs. De Eakes  
Mrs. Barbara Lancaster  
Dr. Lloyd Bailey  
Mrs. Marci Rollins-Smart  
The Reverend and Mrs. Bryce Rouse  
The Reverend and Mrs. Ronnie Hobgood

Dr. and Mrs. Don Ribeiro  
Mrs. Judy H. Thaanum  
The Reverend Frank Harrison  
Ms. Margaret Carol Banks  
Mr. and Mrs. Raiford Daughtry

Total Individuals

\$11,825.00

### Churches and Church-Related Bodies

Albemarle Conference	
Sound Side Church	\$ 1,000.00

Total	\$ 1,000.00
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Cape Fear Conference	
Cape Fear Conference	\$ 4,800.00
Robert's Grove Church	1,000.00
Hopewell Church	205.00
Lee's Chapel Church	<u>750.00</u>

Total	\$ 6,755.00
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Central Conference	
Central Conference	\$ 4,800.00
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Church, Greenville	100.00
Black Jack Church	500.00
Pleasant Hill Church	100.00
LaGrange Church	2,000.00
Edgewood Church	400.00
Rose of Sharon Church	300.00
Saratoga Church	<u>660.70</u>

Total	\$ 8,860.70
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Eastern Conference	
Eastern Conference	\$ 1,700.00
Carteret Co. Union & SS Conv.	250.00
Mt. Zion Church (Onslow County)	750.00
Men's Fellowship—Mt Zion Church (Onslow County)	200.00
Bethlehem Church	4,000.00
Rooty Branch Church	6,000.00
Daly's Chapel Church	1,000.00
Crab Point Church	250.00
Northeast Church	300.00
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Church, Warsaw	100.00
Core Creek Church	1,000.00
Mt. Zion Church (Pamlico)	<u>100.00</u>

Total	\$ 15,650.00
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Western Conference	
Western Conference	\$ 4,800.00
Holly Springs Church	200.00
Little Rock Church	400.00
Second Union of Western Conference	<u>80.00</u>

Total	\$ 5,480.00
Other	
Wayne County FWB Sunday School Fellowship	\$ 188.00
Grand Total – Gifts	\$40,758.70
<b>II. Endowment Income</b>	
Casey-McCormack	\$ 2,265.74
Michael R. Pelt	1,985.16
Michael Rouse	1,326.24
Donnie E. and Linda Vann Lassiter	<u>19,137.87</u>
Total	<u>24,715.01</u>
<b>Total Income to Scholarship Fund (2006 – 2009)</b>	<b>\$74,473.71</b>

## ENDOWMENTS FOR CHURCHES AND MINISTRIES

For most donors, including those of the Christian faith, their support to their church and chosen charities stops when their heart stops. It does not have to be that way. Through a program of professionally managed endowed funds, the Foundation provides a means whereby our work can continue beyond our lifetime.

Endowments may be established for churches, ministries of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists, scholarships for those called to Christian ministry and other charitable purposes. Through December 31, 2009 gifts totaling \$1,791,640 have been made to the Foundation for twenty-nine endowments.

### Named Endowments (\$10,000 and Above)

1. Casey-McCormack
  - For Casey's Chapel Original Free Will Baptist Church (Wayne County), and
  - For scholarships to students preparing for Christian ministry at Mount Olive College, or graduate theological study in schools accredited by Association of Theological Schools (ATS).
2. Mae Haddock—Established by Don Ribeiro, M.D., in memory of his mother, for the Youth Ministry of Ormondsville Original Free Will Baptist Church (Greene County).
3. Donnie E. and Linda Vann Lassiter Family—For scholarships to students in eastern North Carolina attending various colleges, universities and schools, including undergraduate liberal arts and Christian ministry at Mount Olive College; and graduate theological study in schools accredited by ATS.
4. William Widmire and Sarah Tart Lewis—For The Gideons International.

Michael R. Pelt — Established by friends and former students of Dr. Pelt in appreciation for his thirty-seven years as chair of the department of religion at Mount Olive College and for his continued services to Original Free Will Baptists. For the graduate education of ministers in schools accredited by ATS.

Rom W. and Annie Banks Mallard – In appreciation for the heritage and legacy of Rom W. and Annie Banks Mallard. For Friendship Original Free Will Baptist Church (Jones County), with special consideration for the perpetual care of the historic church cemetery.

Walter and Evelyn F. Reynolds—For support of the work and ministry of Friendship Original Free Will Baptist Church (Greene County), as determined by the church.

Michael Rouse Family—Scholarships for students preparing for Christian ministry at Mount Olive College, Campbell University, and other schools accredited by ATS.

Silverthorne Family—For four beneficiaries:

- Bethel Church (Pamlico County) for maintenance of church cemetery;
- Camp Vandemere;
- Free Will Baptist Children's Home, and
- Mount Olive College Library, for the Free Will Baptist Historical Collection.

Blended Fellowship Mission/Ministry – A Christian ministry to the Deaf.

Gregory Fader – For charitable purposes to be determined.

The Harold and Sandra Jones Endowment for Foreign Missions

William Cecil and Beulah Davis Raper – Parents of Dr. W. Burkette Raper, the Reverend James Earl Raper, Mrs. Mary R. O'Donnell and Mrs. Catherine R. Davenport. For the Benevolent Fund of Little Rock Original Free Will Baptist Church, with special consideration for children.

Sam N. and Connie Weeks Family – For support of Blended Fellowship Mission/Ministry and First Free Will Baptist Church of Smithfield.

Alumni: Free Will Baptist Children's Home – To be used as determined by the Children's Home Board of Trustees.

First Free Will Baptist Church of Goldsboro Memorial Endowment– For use as determined by the Church.

### **Endowments in Process**

Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptists — Scholarships for Central Conference ministers attending seminary or divinity school.

Vivian B. Harrison—By Frank R. Harrison for the Vivian B. Harrison Memorial Endowment at Mount Olive College.

19. K. David and Teresa K. Hines—Scholarships for nontraditional students majoring in religion at any location of Mount Olive College.
20. Legacy—An endowment to which gifts may be made in honor or memory of persons. Gifts may later be transferred to named endowments.
21. Henry Smith, Jr. and Ernestine H. Forrest Endowment — For Black Jack Original Free Will Baptist Church.
22. Rodney L. and Peggy L. Hanchey Endowment —Established by Dr. and Mrs. Don Ribeiro in honor of Mrs. Ribeiro's parents.
23. The Stoney Creek Free Will Baptist Church Scholarship Endowment – Scholarships for Original Free Will Baptists called to Christian ministry, with first preference to students from Stoney Creek Church who are enrolled full time at any location of Mount Olive College.
24. The Campbell and Lou Allen Warren Endowment – Established by Mae Ellen Warwick for Christian ministry to the Deaf in memory of her grandparents.
25. The Thomas Bruce and Mary Moore Dudley Scholarship Endowment – Scholarships for Christian Ministry, Public School Education and Christian Education.
26. The Jerry and Ola Jean Stroud Endowment –For the work of Original Free Will Baptists as determined by the Foundation Board of Directors.
27. The Herman and Ruth Starling Warren Endowment – For Mt. Elam Baptist Church
28. The John and Arlinda Williams Endowment - For Cragmont Assembly in appreciation for thirty years of service.
29. The W. Burkette and Rose M. Raper Family Endowment – For purpose to be determined.

(New endowments established during 2009 indicated by bold print.)

**“People live as long as what they invest in lives.”**



## N C FOUNDATION FOR CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES

### Board of Directors and Officers

*(All directors and officers are members of Original Free Will Baptist churches and serve as volunteers in the work of the Foundation.)*

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Mount Zion (Pamlico County)

### In Memoriam

Walter Reynolds

(October 25, 1926 – December 22, 2009)

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### For Additional Information

Those who wish additional information on the work of the Foundation or assistance establishing an endowment are cordially invited to contact W. Burkette Raper, President, or any member of the Board of Directors.

## THE FOUNDATION BY THE NUMBERS

### Endowments

\$135,709	Gifts to endowments during 2009
\$1,791,640	Total gifts to endowments: 2006 – 2009
\$56,071	Distributions from endowments to beneficiaries during 2009
\$153,598	Total distributions to beneficiaries: 2007 – 2009
29	The total number of endowments established with the Foundation: 2006 - 2009

### Shepherd's Fund (Scholarships for Ministers)

\$17,456	Gifts to Shepherd's Fund: 2009
\$49,759	Total Gifts to "Shepherd's Fund": 2006 – 2009
16	Number of students who received scholarships – 2009
21	Total number of scholarship recipients: 2006 – 2009

### Charitable Gift Annuities

\$145,000	Total Gift Annuities with the Foundation
\$13,600	Payments to Annuitants during 2009

### Footprints

Footprints convey that someone has gone before us,  
leaving us a marked way;  
and remind us that we also can leave a marked way  
for those who come after us.

**Minutes of  
The 97<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the  
Convention of Original Free Will Baptists  
May 19 – 21, 2009  
“Working For God With Earnestness”**

**TUESDAY, May 19**

The Fifth Annual Pastor's I.M.P.A.C.T. Banquet was held in Mount Olive College's Murphy Center followed by the Convention Worship Service in Kornegay Arena with the Reverend Bobby Carden bringing the message. Special music was presented by the Wilmington Celebration Choir.

**WEDNESDAY, May 20**

The opening session was preceded by the congregation singing “Majesty”, followed by the Rev. Ricky Warren's reading of scripture and having prayer. Dianne Riley provided special music.

Convention Secretary Al Warrick, gave the call to order. Ms. Hope McPherson of the MOC Development office, welcomed everyone to Mount Olive College.

The President's Message was then given by Convention President Charles Renfrow.

The Executive Committee Report was presented as printed on pp. 9-14 of the 2009 Convention reports book and was accepted with the following changes in the April 1, 2008 meeting minutes; Stan Harrell to be changed to Stanley Harrell, and Gene Sumner be changed to Eugene Sumner. M/S/P

The Finance Committee Report was presented by The Reverend Kevin Jackson, Convention treasurer, as printed on pp. 15-21 of the Convention reports book. M/S/P

The first reading of the Constitutional change was presented by the Convention secretary.

**Bylaws: Article II, Section 10: Current Reading—*Representatives of Cragmont Assembly Stock:*** The stock held by this Convention in Cragmont Assembly, Inc., shall be represented by six (6) members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the Convention.

**Proposed Reading: *Representatives of Cragmont Assembly Stock:*** The stock held by this Convention in Cragmont Assembly, Inc., shall be represented by nine (9) members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the Convention.

The Nominating Committee Report was given by Chairman, Reverend Jeff Daughtry and committee members Becky Jo Sumner, Phillip Boykin, Dean Cartrette, and Terry Ellis.

**Report of the Nominating Committee to the  
2009 Convention of Original Free Will Baptists**

**Convention Executive Committee**

**Officers:**

Secretary – Al Warrick (2011)

Treasurer – Kevin Jackson (2011)

**Conference Representatives:**

Albemarle – Kathy Cahoon (2011)

Paul Palmer – Wayne Sheffield (2011)

Pee Dee – Gary Bryan (2011)

Piedmont – Dale Belvin (2011)

Western – Ray Wells (2011)

**Children's Home**

Ila Penny, Teresa Foster, Dr. Ed Croom (2013)

**Foreign Missions**

Philip Wood (2014)

**Home Missions & Evangelism**

Elaine Swinson (2016)

**Minister's Program**

Richard Glosson (2014)

**Mount Olive College**

Charles Pittman, Kenneth Jones, II, Howard Scott, Sandra B. Tillman, Mary H. Drummond (2015)

**Retirement Homes**

Reginald Parker, Lloyd Hargis (2014)

**Historical Commission**

Alan Lamm (2012)

**Chaplain's Commission**

Harry Grubbs (2014)

**Cragmont Assembly**

Donald Ribeiro, Neal Cox (2012)

Pending adoption of the proposed Constitutional change:

Carol Davis (2010), Sharlene Howell (2011), Lloyd Jones, Jr. (2012)

**Convention Board of Trustees**

Paul Grubbs (2012)

**Church Finance Association Representative**

Laura Monroe (2010)

**Free Will Baptist Press Foundation Representative**

Alan Joyner (2010)

**Laymen's League Board**

Michael Griffin, Otis Gatlin, Michael Fredette, Russell Tyson (2012)

**Sunday School Board**

Kitty Barnes, Brenda Best, Terry Ellis (2012)

**Commission on Youth Ministry and Student Ministry Leadership**

Todd Sutton (2014)

Brad Williamson to fill the unexpired term of Kathy Cahoon (2010)

**Director of Convention Services**, the Reverend Buddy Sasser, brought information regarding the directories and requested that each church be responsible for having someone to be a part of the email list from headquarters in order to receive the directories

electronically. This would be much more effective than having a printed directory.

### **President Renfrow recognized special guests:**

#### **Conference Moderators:**

Albamarle Conference—Reverend Bill Mobley  
Cape Fear Conference—Reverend Aubrey Williamson  
Central Conference—Reverend Phillip Boykin  
Eastern Conference—Reverend Ronnie Taylor  
Paul Palmer Conference—Reverend Wayne Sheffield  
Pee Dee Association—Reverend Dean Cartrette  
Piedmont Conference—Reverend David Atkins  
Western Conference—Reverend Harry Brown

Fraternal Delegates /Guests—Bishop L. N. Forbes and his associates;  
Ron Powell, CareNet East; Keith Kenemer, Randall House Publications, SS speaker;  
Pedro Rosario, Crown Financial Services; and, Kelly Jones, Campbell Divinity School.

President Renfrow then called on Mount Olive College Trustee Chairman, Darrell Horne, to introduce the new Mount Olive College President, Dr. Phil Kerstetter. He will begin his work at MOC on July 1, 2009. Dr. Kerstetter spoke briefly.

Before the worship service, the Convention Secretary read the corrected proposed constitutional change. It is as follows:

#### **Bylaws: Article II, Section 10: Current Reading**

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#### **Proposed change:**

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### **Worship Service**

The Reverend Tim Heath brought the message for the morning worship and was introduced by the Reverend Ronnie Parker. Reverend Ashley Summerlin opened with the invocation and the Reverend De Eakes brought the prayer. Special music was provided by *Swift Creek Revival* from Johnston Union OFWB.

**The afternoon sessions were begun with a General Information Plenary Session in Raper Hall - Southern Bank Auditorium. Workshop sessions followed.**

### **THURSDAY, May 21**

Following the congregational singing, Mr. George Futrelle (Pleasant Grove, Pikeville) read scripture and prayed to reopen the convention.



The Convention is reconvened by Secretary, Al Warrick, who then reads the corrected constitutional change for Cragmont Assembly Board for the second time.

President Renfrow apologized to Carolina Bible Institute and Seminary for the convention office having last year's CBI's report in the handbook. Dr. Rudy Owens would be given a chance to give an oral report.

President Renfrow then thanked MOC staff for cleanliness of building and support; thanked the directors of OFWB ministries; Gayle Heath & Roger Hill, accompanists for the convention; and Doug Skinner (retiring from sound system) was presented a plaque for his 30 years of service to the convention. He also gave a special thanks to Buddy Sasser and Andrea Cox for the service to the convention.

Convention Director, Buddy Sasser then requested that ministers without churches let him know if they would be able to fill the pulpits at churches without pastors.

**Ministry Reports**

The following ministry reports were received as printed in the 2009 Convention Reports Book:

**FWB Press**—Mr. Cliff Gray .....Pages 72-79

**Church Finance**—Reverend Don Fader.....Pages 28-29

**Ministers Program**—Reverend Don Fader.....Pages 54-59

Reverend Fader also introduced the New Member/Pastor Handbook. He reported that each church and each minister would receive one free of charge.

**Foreign Missions**—Reverend Harold Jones.....Pages 35-48

Reverend Jones also gave thanks for the offering; brought greetings from the Van der Plases; announced that we have begun mission work in Liberia jointly with OFWB of America; and, asked to be invited to all of the churches to present the OFWB International work.

**NC Foundation for Christian Ministries**—Dr. Raper .....Pages 95-104

Dr. Raper announced the Harold and Sandra Jones Endowment for Foreign Missions and presented them with a plaque.

**Ministerial Association**—Reverend Alan Joyner announced that CareNet will be at the Ministers' Conference at Cragmont. He then presented the Elder P. T. Lucas Pastor's Awards—

- Full-time Pastor: Rev. Ronnie Parker—Folkstone OFWB
- Bi-Vocational Pastor: Rev. Mark Hobbs—Snow Hill OFWB

**Commission on Ed. for Christian Ministry**—Dr. Michael Pelt.....Pages 91-92

**Carolina Bible Institute**—Reverend Rudy Owens (report was omitted from the 2009 Report Book) presented the following report:

- CBI enrolled 129 in the last semester.
- For Summer School there will be a study of the Book of Daniel.
- Upcoming schedules are on the CBIS display table.
- Sponsoring study tour to the Holy Land in the fall.
- Announced the reprinted and revision of *Free Will Baptist Believe*.
- Attended the National Convention of ACI.
- Expressed the need for a new building at a cost of approximately \$500,000.

**Layman's League**—Mr. Roy Wetherington .....Pages 93-94

Mr. Wetherington also announced the following events:

- June 5-6<sup>th</sup> Annual Layman's League Retreat.
- Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> Joshua's Call.
- Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> Semi-Annual Meeting at Johnston Union OFWB.

**Chaplain's Commission—Reverend Harry Grubbs**

- Stated that Christian Chaplain's can pray in Jesus' name.
- OFWB currently has one military chaplain; Richard Holmes.
- Cam Ash, is a candidate for NC National Guard Chaplain.
- Recognized Carla Williamson, hospital chaplain.
- Harry Grubbs, Philip Wood; prison chaplains.
- Read letter excerpts from Richard Holmes regarding his work.

**Camp Vandemere—Mr. Rick Price; Ex. Director ..... Page 87**

**\*\*Ministries presenting workshops on Wednesday will not give reports to the full Convention. Recommendations will be considered during the closing session.**

**The Reverend Calvin Heath was the speaker for the Worship Service and was introduced by his sister Rebecca Hill. The Reverend David Smith opened the service with the invocation and Reverend Ashley Trogden prayed the morning prayer. Rebecca Hill had the special music.**

**Closing Session**

**The call to order was given by President Lyn Renfrow for the final session of the 97<sup>th</sup> Convention.**

**Approval of Constitutional Change**

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**Credentials Committee Report—Shirley Forsythe**

Ordained Ministers	Pre-Registered	Registered on-site
Albemarle	8	1
Cape Fear	37	2
Central	50	3
Eastern	65	6
Pee Dee	8	2
Piedmont	3	2
Western	52	6
Total	223	22

<b>Licensed Ministers</b>		
<b>Albemarle</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Central</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Eastern</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Western</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Delegates</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Members</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Visitors</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>Fraternal Del/s.</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Total Registrations</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>103</b>
<b>Total Registrations for 2009 Convention—610</b>		

**Moved to receive as information. M/S/P**

### **Election and Installation of Officers, Boards and Committees Convention Executive Committee**

The nominees for officers were presented earlier in the convention. There was one nomination from the floor for the office of Convention Secretary through 2011. The Reverend Paul Nicholson was nominated and presented a brief speech regarding his desires and qualifications to be the secretary.

A motion was made to cease nominations. M/S/P

A standing vote was called for from the floor for the office of Secretary. President Renfrow called on the ushers to count the standing votes. The count was recorded as: Al Warrick—254; Paul Nicholson—23.

Motion was made that we accept the remaining nominees as presented by the Nominating Committee and listed earlier in these minutes: M/S/P

**Ministries recommendations:** President Renfrow asked the directors of the OFWB ministries to come to the podium for approval of Ministry Reports and Recommendations approval in mass. M/S/P

### **Resolutions Committee Report—Rev. Frankie Baggett**

The Resolutions committee brought the following resolutions to the Convention floor:

#### **Resolution 1:**

WHEREAS, Dr. J. William Byrd has faithfully served as President of Mount Olive College for the past fourteen years,

BE IT RESOLVED, that we give him a rising vote of thanks from the convention for his dedicated service.

M/S/P

#### **Resolution 2 (includes amendment)**

WHEREAS, the Convention of Original Free Will Baptist accepts the Bible to be our Rule of Faith and Prace; and

WHEREAS, the Bible defines marriage as between a man and a woman; and

WHEREAS, marriage throughout human history has been the basic building block of society;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Convention of Original Free Will Baptist expresses its belief that it is in the best interest of the people of the State of North Carolina to define marriage in the North Carolina Constitution as the union of one man and one woman at one time; and, that this Convention recommend that each conference, in their next session, affirm their position on this issue of marriage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to each individual State Representative and Senator of the North Carolina Legislature.

[The Reverend Bruce Jones made a motion to amend the resolution to include sending it to Representatives and Senators of NC Legislature.] M/S/P

The resolution was passed with the amendment. M/S/P

### **Resolution 3**

WHEREAS, Mount Olive College has been a gracious host to the 97<sup>th</sup> session of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists, and

WHEREAS, the officers of the Convention have done a splendid work in planning and conducting the Convention;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Convention give a rising vote of thanks to the personnel of Mount Olive College and to the officers of the Convention. M/S/P

**Centennial Celebration Report—Director of Convention Services, Buddy Sasser** requested again that each church send their history to headquarters.

**Memorial Committee—Rev. Harold Swinson** read scripture from Psalms 37:23 and presented the following report.

### **Ministers who have passed away since the 2008 Convention:**

<u>Minister</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Conference</u>
John David Hill	November 10, 2008	Cape Fear
Eddie Franks	November 11, 2008	Western
Kenneth Phillips	December 11, 2008	Cape Fear
T. O. Terry	February 1, 2009	Eastern
Charles Parrish	April 13, 2009	Albemarle

### **Minister's wives who have passed away since the 2008 Convention:**

Jean Brinson (wife of Rev. Davie Brinson)	June 22, 2008
Betty P. Lee (wife of Rev. J. Rayford Lee)	August 26, 2008
Patricia Bradbury (wife of Rev. Carroll Bradbury)	February 12, 2009

**There being no more business, motion was made that the Convention be Adjourned.**  
M/S/P                      Benediction

**Minutes  
of the  
Sixty-Fifth Annual Session  
of the  
Albemarle Conference  
of  
Original Free Will Baptists  
held at  
Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church  
Roper, NC  
October 7, 2009**

The next session will convene Wednesday, before the second Sunday, October 6, 2010. The location will be Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church in Pinetown, North Carolina.

**Officers for the Years 2009-10**

Moderator: The Reverend Al Markuson  
Assistant Moderator: The Reverend Royce Reynolds  
Clerk: The Reverend Woodrow Freeze  
Assistant Clerk: Mrs. Lois Askew  
Treasurer: Mr. Lloyd Jones

**Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee is composed of the general officers of the Conference, chair of the Board of Trustees, chair of the Board of Ordination, and the chair of the Board of Missions.

**Board of Trustees**

The Reverend H. P. Norman (2010)  
Mr. Ray Collier (2010)  
Mr. Scott Davis (2011)

**Board of Ordination**

The Reverend Robert May (2010)  
The Reverend Al Markuson (2010)  
The Reverend Billy Reynolds (2011)  
The Reverend Royce Reynolds (2012)  
The Reverend William Mobley (2013)

**Board of Missions**

The Reverend Woodrow Freeze (2010)  
Mrs. Lucy Jones (2010)  
Mr. Don Skinner (2011)  
The Reverend Royce Reynolds (2012)  
Mrs. Becky Jo Sumner (2013)



Albemarle

**Nominating Committee**

Mrs. Darlene Paul

Mrs. Leytha Mobley

Mr. Wayne Britt

The Reverend Mike Williams

**Ordained Ministers**

Paul Grubbs	127 Zack Circle, Elizabeth City, NC 27909
Raymond Lagcher	P. O. Box 104, Belhaven, NC 27810
Robert M. May	146 Slaughter Road, Ahoskie, NC 27910
William C. Mobley	2306 West 5 <sup>th</sup> Street, Washington, NC 27889
H. P. Norman	P. O. Box 723, Farmville, NC 27828
Keith A. Pelletier	195 Gus Town Road, Creswell, NC 27928
Dallas Pinkham	13099 Hwy 264 East, Pinetown, NC 27865
Billy F. Reynolds	440 Breezy Banks Road, Roper, NC 27970
Royce L. Reynolds	P. O. Box 22, Columbia, NC 27925
Harold Swinson	P. O. Box 397, Kenly, NC 27542
David Pooser	5580 Sidney Road, Belhaven, NC 27810
Al Markuson	5993 NC Hwy 32 S, Plymouth, NC 27962
Woodrow Freeze III	808 Jones Bridge Road, Pinetown, NC 27865
Michael Williams	531 NC 561 East, Ahoskie, NC 27910
Jonathan Best	23 S. Turner Circle, Coats, NC 27521

**Licensed Ministers**

James Yoder	1509 Mainstem Road, Pantego, NC 27860
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**Proceedings**

Morning Session opened at 9:30 am with Hymn 461 *He Leadeth Me*.

The Rev. Robert May gave the opening devotion from 1 Corinthians 13.

The Albemarle Conference was welcomed by Mr. James Yoder.

Rev. Harold Swinson gave the response from the Conference.

Moderator, the Rev. Bill Mobley called the conference to order and the program was approved.

The Roll of Churches was called with 11 present, 3 absent, 1 excused.

The Roll of Ministers was called with 9 present, 5 absent, 2 excused.

The moderator greeted the visiting ministers.

Rev. Bill Mobley presented the Moderator's address. His text was from Exodus 3, Isaiah 40 and preaching on the Doctrine of God. He challenged us to understand that real ministry brings hurt and laughter just as it did in the time of Jesus. It is our duty to continue faithfully to the Biblical way and not become worldly in our churches.

Hymn 563.

The ushers were called to collect the morning offering.

The moderator called to appoint temporary committees. With no nominations from the floor, the moderator appointed the following:

Rev. Woodrow Freeze, Rev. Jonathan Best and Mr. James Yoder, **Memorial committee**

Rev. Royce Reynolds and Rev. Keith Pelletier, **Resolutions committee**

The floor was opened for reports.

There was no Executive Committee report.

There was no Board of Trustees report.

Rev. Al Markuson reported on the activities of the Ordination Board. It was moved and seconded to accept this report. Motion passed.

There was no Home Missions report.

Announcements were made:

Shiloh beginning on October 12th

Sound Side announced their homecoming November 18th.

Hymn 191, *There's Power In The Blood*.

The floor was opened for reports from the denominational ministries.

Convention of Original Free Will Baptist, Director of Denominational Services

Rev. Buddy Sasser introduced the directors of the denominational enterprises present.

Mr. Gary Lee reported for the Children's Home.

Mrs. Wallie Hargrove reported for the Free Will Baptist Press.

Rev. Jeff Daughtry reported for Mount Olive College.

Rev. Ronnie Taylor reported for the Retirement Homes.

Mrs. Mary Dudley reported for the Sunday School.

Mrs. Becky Jo Sumner reported for the Woman's Auxiliary.

Rev. Buddy Sasser reported for the Convention, Church Finance, Cragmont, Foreign Missions and the Minister's Program.

Rev. David Hansely reported on the work of the Home Missions and Evangelism.

Rev. Buddy Sasser recognized Mrs. Cathy Cahoon as the Albemarle Conference representative and Rev. Harold Swinson as Vice-President of the Convention.

A short break was called by the Moderator.

The worship service was opened by the singing of Hymn 188, *At The Cross*.

Special Music was given by Mrs. Lucille Jones and Mrs. Mae Oliver.

Moderator, the Rev. Bill Mobley introduced Rev. Al Markuson who preached from Psalm 139, Psalm 86 and Philippians 3 challenging us to request of God, "Lord, Change Me!"

Lunch was served by Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church.

The afternoon session of the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the Albemarle Conference of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists was opened in singing Hymn 542, *When We All Get To Heaven*.

The Memorial Service was led by the Memorial Committee with the deceased members being:

Walter O'Neal, Belhaven

Dorothy Brickhouse and Marvin Cahoon, Gum Neck

William Liverman and Virginia Sumner, Hickory Chapel

Claud Jones, Malachi's Chapel

Joe Biggs, Mt. Tabor

Jerry Hamlet, Mt. Zion

Estelle Edwards, Plymouth

April Willoughby, Wilbur Sheppard, and Earnest Matthews, Shiloh

Leslie Daw, Sr., Sidney

Mildred Hassel, Sound Side

The afternoon devotion was delivered by Rev. Woodrow Freeze from Matthew 22:34.

The moderator, Rev. Bill Mobley, opened the business session.

### Nominating Committee Report

Moderator: Rev. Al Markuson  
 Asst. Moderator: Rev. Royce Reynolds  
 Clerk: Rev. Woodrow Freeze

All other positions were extended for one additional year.  
 A motion was made and approved to accept the Nominating Committee report.

### Treasurer's Report

#### General Fund

Brought Forward from 2008	\$	2342.42
Amount Received after Conference		1115.00
Amount Received from churches		740.00
Amount Received from offering	+	60.00
Total Received		4257.42
Amount Paid Out		-1346.00
Balance in General Fund	\$	2911.42

#### Mission Fund

Brought Forward from 2008	\$	4731.40
Amount Received During Year		332.69
Bank Interest	+	3.94
Total		5068.03
Amount Transferred to Checking (\$500-Disaster Relief, \$500-Foreign Missions)		-1000.00
Total		4068.03

A motion was made to adopt the Treasurer's Report and passed with no discussion.  
 Rev. Royce Reynolds made a motion to send \$1000.00 to the work in Bulgaria. The motion was passed.  
 Rev. Royce Reynolds and Rev. Keith Pelletier submitted for the **Resolutions Committee**:

1. That we give to Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality in hosting this conference meeting.
2. That we affirm our belief in the Biblical view of marriage. That the Bible only recognizes that marriage is between a man and a woman and that this view of marriage is the basic building block of the family and our society.
3. That the Albemarle Conference, in these days of excessive tolerance and liberal views, re-affirm our belief that the Bible is the Word of God and the Rule of Authority for our churches and our people.

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Next Year, the Albemarle Conference will meet at Free Union Free Will Baptist Church on Oct. 6, 2010.

The minutes were read and a motion was made to accept the minutes which was seconded and passed.

The motion to adjourn was seconded and passed. Meeting was adjourned.

### **Board of Ordination Report**

#### January 10, 2009

Licensed Minister Mr. Jonathan Best took the written ordination exam at Union Chapel O.F.W.B Church in Plymouth, NC. The Reverend Al Markuson, Chair of the Albemarle Conference Board of Ordination served as proctor for the exam.

#### March 11, 2009

The Board of Ordination of the Albemarle Conference met at Union Chapel O.F.W.B. Church at 10:00 am. Members present were the Reverends Royce Reynolds, Robert May and Al Markuson. Reverends Billy Reynolds and William Mobley were excused

The Board reviewed and discussed Mr. Jonathan Best's written exam. It was agreed that he passed and would now meet with the Board at an agreed time for any final oral questions and a determination of the details of his future ordination.

The meeting closed with prayer.

#### May 20, 2009

The Board of Ordination of the Albemarle Conference of Original Free Will Baptists met on the campus of Mount Olive College at 1:00 pm. Members present included Reverends Royce Reynolds, William Mobley, Robert May and Al Markuson. Member excused was the Reverend Billy Reynolds. Also present were the Reverend Woodrow Freeze, III, Mr. Jonathan Best, and Mr. James Yoder.

The Board met first with Mr. James Yoder. An update on the progress of his educational course load was shared. His goal is to meet the requirements by the end of December 2009. It was requested by the Board that he take a break in his service to Mt. Zion O.F.W.B. Church of Roper, NC in order to abide by the 90 days guideline. He may resume service to the church as he finishes his course load and prepares for the ordination exam. The Board had prayer with Mr. Yoder and he was dismissed.

The Board then met with Mr. Jonathan Best for a final review and questions on his exam. Several questions were asked and briefly discussed. Having met all requirements of the Albemarle Conference Board of Ordination of Original Free Will Baptists; a motion was made and passed unanimously to proceed with the Ordination of Mr. Jonathan Best at an agreed time with him, his home church (Free Union O.F.W.B. Church) and the Board.

#### July 17, 2009

The Board of Ordination of the Albemarle Conference of Original Free Will Baptists met with the Free Union O.F.W.B. Church of Pinetown, NC for the Ordination Service for Mr. Jonathan Best. Members present included the Reverends William Mobley, Royce Reynolds, Robert May and Al Markuson. The Reverend Billy Reynolds was excused.

The host church provided a reception afterwards.

**MINUTES OF THE  
ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE  
OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
HELD AT FIRST OFWB CHURCH OF GOLDSBORO  
GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA  
NOVEMBER 10, 2009**

**Moderator:** The Reverend Aubrey Williamson (2010)

**Assistant Moderator:** The Reverend Otis Hamm (2010)

**Clerk:** Eva Ballance (2011)

**Assistant Clerk:** Carolyn Jernigan (2011)

**Treasurer:** The Reverend Sam Weeks (2010)

**Member at Large:** The Reverend Ken Dabbs (2011)

**EXECUTIVE BOARD**

Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Eva Ballance, Carolyn Jernigan, Sam Weeks, Ken Dabbs

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Donnie Massey (2010) Bobby Johnson (2011)

Chris Markuson, Jr. (2012) Ray Smith (2013) J.N. Bryant (2014)

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Billy Nowell (2010) Wayne Puckett (2011)

Martha Parsons (2012) Peyton Lee (2013) Doug Seymour (2014)

**ORDAINING BOARD**

Joe Ballance (2010) Frank Harrison (2011)

Jim Bogle (2012) Aubrey Williamson (2013) Sam Weeks (2014)

**CONFERENCE DISASTER RELIEF COORDINATOR**

Ricky Warren (2010)

**ORDAINED MINISTERS**

(P – Present, A – Absent, E – Excused)

E	Henry Armstrong	A	Wade Daughtry
P	Fred Baker	A	Jesse Fulcher
P	Joe Ballance	P	Edmundo Gonzalez
E	Swade Benson	P	Otis Hamm
P	Cecil Blackmon	P	Frank Harrison
P	Jim Bogle	P	Ronnie Hayes
P	Gene Britt	P	John Hill
P	Rayford Byrd	P	Roger Hill
P	Braxton Carter	P	Earl Johnson
E	Scott Casey	P	Emmitt Jones
A	Larry Coats	P	Dan Jordan
P	James Corbett	P	Dean Kennedy
A	Ken Dabbs	P	Alan Lamm



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E	John Rayford Lee	P	Burkette Raper
P	Donnie Massey	P	Scott Satterfield
E	Richard McKeel	E	Jeff Scarborough
P	Tony McLamb	P	Doug Seymour
E	Joe Myrick	E	Elijah Smith
P	Billy Nowell	P	Hubert Stanley
E	Dennis Pollock	E	Willem Van der Plas
P	Stephen Prescott	P	Ricky Warren
P	Alar Price	P	Sam Weeks
P	Jimmy Price	P	Aubrey Williamson
P	Clarence Privette	E	Richard Whitman

## LICENSED MINISTERS

P	John Butler- Oak Grove
P	Tod Creech- Faith
A	Neil McLamb- Lee's Chapel
P	Bryan Williamson- St. Mary's Grove
P	Carla Williamson- Casey's Chapel

## PROCEEDINGS

The One Hundred and Fifty-Fifth Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists (OFWB) convened at First OFWB Church of Goldsboro, Goldsboro, North Carolina on November 10, 2009. Moderator Aubrey Williamson welcomed everyone. Moderator Aubrey Williamson presented the program for adoption. Motion was made to accept the program for adoption. Motion was carried.

The congregation opened in singing "I Will Sing the Wondrous Story", *Rowley*, led by song leader, Peyton Lee. Licensed Minister Tod Creech offered scripture and prayer from Matthew 28:18-20. The conference was welcomed by Pastor John Hill of First OFWB Church of Goldsboro. The response was heard from Pastor Jim Bogle of Powhatan OFWB Church.

Clerk Eva Ballance called the session to order. The rules of registration were then explained by the Credentials Committee Chair John Hill, as adopted by the One Hundred Fourteenth Session of the Cape Fear Conference. Clerk Eva Ballance called the Roll of Officers and Standing Boards, Churches, and Ministers. Rev. Charles Petit requested to join the Cape Fear Conference. Motion was made to accept Rev. Petit's transfer from the Western Conference to the Cape Fear Conference. Motion was carried. The right hand of fellowship was extended by Moderator Aubrey Williamson to Rev. Charles Petit, as well as a rising vote of thanks, to welcome him to our conference. The Moderator recognized the visitors.

Moderator Aubrey Williamson offered words of encouragement to the conference from Ephesians 4:1-7. He commented that "We are the body of Christ; we are the church, therefore we are the body of Christ. We are His hands and feet, His representative, and as Paul stated, an ambassador for Christ. If the gospel isn't being shared, it is our fault. As God is love, we are to love all people. As believers, we must walk worthy of the position as the body of Christ."

Motion was made to appoint the following Temporary Committees by Moderator Williamson. The motion was carried.

**Temperance/Resolutions Committee:** Chair Sam Weeks, Frank Harrison, James Corbett  
**Obituary Committee:** Chair Emmitt Jones, Dennis Pollock, Jim Bogle  
**Credentials Committee:** Chair John Hill, Joe Ballance, Fred Baker  
**Nominating Committee:** Chair Otis Hamm, Stephen Prescott, Braxton Carter  
**Parliamentarian:** Ricky Warren

Dr. Sam Weeks was recognized as the Cape Fear Conference representative to the Executive Committee of the Convention, who gave the Convention report. He encouraged every Cape Fear Conference Church to place the Convention in their church budget. Rev. Buddy Sasser, Director of Convention Services of the Original Free Will Baptists, was recognized and he introduced the denominational ministry representatives.

Representatives from our denominational ministries were present and given an opportunity to speak on the behalf of each ministry. The following ministries were represented: Retirement Home Ministry - Ronnie Taylor, Children's Home - Gary Lee, Free Will Baptist Press - Cliff Gray, Mount Olive College - Jeff Daughtry, Cragmont Assembly - John Hill, Foreign Missions - Harold Jones, Sunday School Ministry - Gail Heath and Mary Dudley, Minister's Program - Ricky Warren, Home Missions & Evangelism and Harvest Connection - Buddy Sasser and Timothy Webber, Convention of OFWB - Buddy Sasser, Director of Convention Services, who announced the 2010 Directory was available online and in print.

Song leader Peyton Lee led the congregation in singing "There is Sunshine in My Soul", Hewitt.

Moderator Aubrey Williamson requested everyone to review the written report of the Executive Committee prior to the afternoon business session.

Buddy Sasser, Director of Convention Services, introduced *Faith Comes By Hearing*, a program to send the Word of God to our military through the purchase of Military BibleSticks, that are pre-loaded with the Audio New Testament.

Moderator Aubrey Williamson recognized Dr. Sam Weeks, who introduced Dr. Burkette Raper, President of the Foundation of Christian Ministries. Dr. Raper made an appeal to the Cape Fear Conference to appoint a historian to update the history of the Cape Fear Conference. He provided information on the Shepherd's Fund, endowments established for churches, ministries and scholarships, and a summary of gifts to the Foundation. A Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Dr. and Mrs. Sam Weeks for an endowment established in their honor by Sam's daughter and son-in-law, Frank and Betty Jean Weeks Sutton, for Blended Fellowship Mission/Ministry and First Free Will Baptist Church of Smithfield. Ms. Mae Ellen Warwick was presented a Certificate of Appreciation for an endowment established in memory of her grandparents, Campbell and Lou Allen Warren, for Blended Fellowship Mission/Ministry.

The Morning Worship Service began with singing "Revive Us Again", MacKay, led by song leader, Peyton Lee. Special music was presented by Rev. Buddy Sasser and Rev. John Hill, accompanied by Rev. Roger Hill. Rev. Otis Hamm, pastor of Saratoga OFWB Church, brought the morning message from Galatians 6:14-16. He noted that this letter, written by Paul, was a letter of justification by faith and a letter of restoration through relationships. The woman, caught in an act of adultery, was commanded to be stoned to death by Moses' Law. But through Jesus Christ, she found forgiveness, restoration and a relationship with Christ. The concept of judgmentalism continues in Christianity today. But all of us are one in the body of Christ. We may worship differently, but we are all the

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church of Christ. It should not take a catastrophe to bring believers together for the cause of Christ. We're familiar with the Great Commission, but the great omission is not working together for the Kingdom of Heaven. Rev. Aubrey Williamson led in prayer.

Rev. John Hill gave the benediction and blessing and the conference went to lunch.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session began with the congregation singing "Trust and Obey", *Sammis*, led by song leader Peyton Lee. Scripture and prayer were offered by Licensed Minister John Butler from John 21:15-17. An announcement was made acknowledging John Butler's upcoming Ordination Service.

Motion was made to adopt the written report of the Executive Committee as given. Motion was carried.

The following reports of the Standing Boards were received by the conference (see attached reports of the Standing Boards). The Conference Mission's Report for Blended Fellowship Mission/Ministry was given by Rev. Doug Seymour. The report was received as presented. Rev. Otis Hamm gave the Feasibility Study Report. It was received as presented. The Ordaining Council report was given by Dr. Sam Weeks. The Woman's Auxiliary Report was given by Carolyn Jernigan. The Cape Fear Youth Fellowship and the Board of Christian Education reports were given by Martha Parsons. The Cape Fear Minister's Conference report was given by Joe Ballance. These reports were accepted as information.

The following reports of the Temporary Committees were then received (see attached reports of the Temporary Committees). The Temperance/Resolutions Committee presented two resolutions, of which both passed. The Obituary Committee reported no deaths of any Cape Fear Conference ministers or wives during the past year. A moment of silence was observed for those who had lost their lives in the recent tragedy at Fort Hood and to show respect to all veterans. The Nominating Committee made its recommendations to the conference. The list of candidates for nomination received a motion to be elected, was seconded and passed. The Credentials Committee gave a report of the Annual Conference's attendance. The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer Sam Weeks and was received by motion (see attached report).

The conference then moved into its business session. Old business was from Dr. Burkette Raper, who encouraged an opportunity to come to churches and provide information about The North Carolina Foundation of Christian Ministries to strengthen and expand the work. New business presented was a motion from Rev. Otis Hamm, Chairperson of the Feasibility Committee, to extend the investigation of this committee one year and make a report at the conference in 2010. Motion was carried. Rev. John Hill made a motion to charge the Cape Fear Conference to establish a five-year plan to grow our conference. Motion was carried.

The 156th Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference will be held on November 9, 2010, at Robert's Grove OFWB Church.

Motion was carried to adjourn the 155th Session of the Cape Fear Conference and the conference was dismissed with prayer by Rev. Ricky Warren.

Respectfully submitted,  
Aubrey Williamson, Moderator  
Eva Ballance, Clerk



## CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES 2009

**The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee met on November 24, 2008, at First Smithfield OFWB Church at 4:00 p.m.** The meeting was called to order by Moderator Aubrey Williamson. Conference members present were Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks, Eva Ballance and Carolyn Jernigan. Otis Hamm gave the devotion from the Gospel of John. Aubrey Williamson prayed the opening prayer.

The final report of the 154<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference was reviewed and corrections were made. It was decided to include the revised Constitution in the yearbook. Motion was made to accept the report for the yearbook. (MSP)

It was noted that two ministers had missed two consecutive annual meeting without requesting to be excused. Rev. Scott Satterfield and Rev. Joe Myrick will be notified by letter from the Executive Committee to arrange a meeting with the Ordination Board in March or May, 2009.

Treasurer Sam Weeks gave the treasurer's report. Balance was \$3054.20. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report. (MSP)

The Executive Committee will schedule a meeting with Blended Fellowship for a Feasibility Committee meeting. Recommended dates are January 8, 15 and 22 and February 19 and 26 of 2009 at 7:00 p.m. or 7:30 p.m.

Sam Weeks will take a copy of the letter, dated June 26, 2008, to Daly's Chapel Church on November 29, 2008, to follow up on the Executive Committee's response to their specific needs.

It was recommended that the churches make monetary contributions to Disaster Relief to assist with the making of kits since their supply has been depleted.

Motion was made to adjourn. (MSP) Eva Ballance led the closing prayer.

**The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee met on January 15, 2009, at First Smithfield OFWB Church at 4:00 p.m.** The meeting was called to order by Moderator Aubrey Williamson. Conference members present were Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks and Eva Ballance. Aubrey Williamson gave the devotion from Psalms 6 and prayed the opening prayer.

Treasurer Sam Weeks gave the treasurer's report. Balance was \$1282.07. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report. (MSP)

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting from November 24, 2008. (MSP)

A letter from the Executive Committee was delivered to Daly's Chapel Church by Sam Weeks, in response to their specific needs.

It was requested that a letter from the Executive Committee be sent to Covenant, requesting their presence at the March 23, 2009 meeting at 2:30 p.m. to discuss the release of deed from the Cape Fear Conference to Covenant.

It was requested that letters be mailed to Daly's Chapel Church, their pastor and to Home Missions, requesting continuance of the six month reporting to the Executive Committee. The first meeting will occur May 25, 2009.

The Executive Committee, chosen to serve on the Feasibility Committee for Blended Fellowship met with the Feasibility Committee. Doug and Melanie Seymour and Dean Kennedy were present along with the Executive Committee. The committee discussed the unique situation of this mission/church/ministry and established a regular meeting order.

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It was determined that certain tasks needed to be completed by the committee and individual assignments were made.

In conclusion, it was noted that roof repair was a dire need for the Blended Fellowship Worship facility.

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 23, 2009, at 2:30 p.m. with Covenant and 3:30 p.m. with Blended Fellowship.

Motion was made to adjourn. (MSP) Rev. Doug Seymour led the closing prayer.

**The Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference met on Monday, March 23, 2009, at 4:00 p.m. at First Free Will Baptist in Smithfield.** Executive Committee members present were Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks, Eva Ballance and Ken Dabbs. Moderator Aubrey Williamson called the meeting to order. Aubrey gave the devotion from James 1 and Eva Ballance prayed the opening prayer.

A motion was made to accept the January 15, 2009 minutes with correction. (MSP)

A treasurer's report was given by Treasurer Sam Weeks. Balance was \$1597.07. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report. (MSP)

Old business discussed was Daly's Chapel OFWB Church had been requested by letter to report at the next Executive Committee meeting.

New business discussed was a need for roof repair at Blended Fellowship. It was noted that the quote for repair is \$95,000.00 with the possibility of receiving a 5% discount on the total repair cost. Further discussion was tabled until after the meeting with Covenant OFWB Church.

Licensed Minister John Butler and Frank Parsons met to discuss the release of deed from the Cape Fear Conference to Covenant OFWB Church. After review of the budget, accounts and reports from Covenant, Licensed Minister John Butler requested that the Cape Fear Conference leave their name on the deed indefinitely. A motion was made to leave the Cape Fear Conference name on the deed indefinitely. (MSP) Otis Hamm prayed for Covenant prior to their departure.

Moderator Aubrey Williamson stated that he had asked Assistant Moderator Otis Hamm to chair the Feasibility Committee and he had accepted.

Blended Fellowship joined the Executive Committee to further discuss the feasibility of it becoming a church/ministry. Representation included Rev. Dean Kennedy, Rev. Doug and Melanie Seymour, Kayla, their daughter, and a couple that serve on Blended Fellowship's Leadership Council. Aubrey Williamson asked Rev. Dean Kennedy to lead in prayer. Then Aubrey informed everyone of his decision to place Otis Hamm as Chairman of the Feasibility Committee and asked him to take charge of the meeting.

Otis Hamm welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked Blended Fellowship to present information to the Executive Committee. Rev. Dean Kennedy explained the importance of proper selection of persons to serve on the Board of Directors. Also, he stated there was a need for presentation of materials to all serving on the board so they would have a full understanding of the deaf culture. He noted that Doug and Melanie Seymour needed to be a voting voice on the Board. Otis Hamm recommended Sensitivity Training for all new board members. He asked Melanie Seymour to gather information and present a Sensitivity Training Program at the next meeting.

Otis Hamm stated that work was needed to establish a Constitution and leadership at Blended Fellowship. Discussion continued about the present leadership at Blended Fellowship. There are two Leadership Councils, one for the hearing and one for the deaf,



who meet separately for better understanding. A sign language class is taught each Wednesday evening to enhance their ability to communicate.

Rev. Doug and Melanie Seymour addressed the issue of becoming a church. First, Rev. Seymour expressed how the organization is labeled is not so important to him; what is important is that God's work continues to be done. He feels one of two things needs to happen; develop a status that does not conflict with the ministry or modify the *The Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists (of the English General Baptist Heritage)* to state ... "except for a church that establishes under a ministry." Rev. Seymour shared potential problems that could result by separating the church and the ministry. First, he noted that the mixture of ethnic backgrounds, the hearing and deaf, had worked for them over the past ten years. There are denominational mixes yet they work well together. He explained that the conference oversees the pastor and the leadership, therefore preventing any type of dictatorship. By separating the church and ministry, there could be issues with the voice of authority. Their vision and purpose could be over-ruled by a vote at a business meeting. There would be great difficulty in separating contributions between the church and the ministry. Otis Hamm requested a copy of Blended Fellowship's purpose, vision and present leadership structure, including the number serving. He asked that their church/ministry status be presented at the next meeting. He requested a copy of their church budget and stated that incorporation was inevitable.

The importance of including Doug and Melanie on the Board of Directors was reiterated. All agreed that the Board of Directors should serve as an Advisory Board for guidance to Blended Fellowship.

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Monday, June 15, 2009, at First Free Will Baptist in Smithfield. Blended Fellowship will be attending this meeting.

Otis Hamm, Chairman of the Feasibility Committee, turned the meeting over to Moderator Aubrey Williamson. Aubrey requested additional information about the roof repair from Rev. Doug Seymour. Melanie stated that their present loan payment was \$1200.00. Presently, they have \$17,000.00 in the building fund. Approximately \$78,000.00 would need to be borrowed to cover the cost of repairing the roof. Melanie felt that Blended Fellowship could afford a payment increase of \$500.00 per month.

Aubrey thanked everyone from Blended Fellowship for attending the meeting and for providing additional information. He led the group in prayer before their departure.

The Executive Committee continued the discussion regarding the necessary roof repair at Blended Fellowship. Sam Weeks will contact Donald Fader, Church Finance Director, to work out the details of financing this repair and report back at the next meeting. All committee members were in agreement to send a letter to all churches requesting immediate financial support for this emergent need of protecting the interior renovations from further water damage. The letter is to be mailed after March 29, 2009. Sam Weeks is to review the letter prior to mailing.

A letter will be mailed to Daly's Chapel OFWB Church, Rev. Ed Thornton and Rev. David Charles Hansley, Director of Home Missions, to notify them to report to the Executive Committee on August 24, 2009, instead of May 25, 2009.

Ken Dabbs will go to Blended Fellowship and assess the roof situation to see if a temporary repair can be done to prevent further damage until the final repair can be financed.

Motion was made to adjourn. Ken Dabbs led the closing prayer.

**The Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference met on Wednesday, May 6, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. at First Free Will Baptist in Smithfield.** Executive Committee members present were Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks, Eva Ballance, Carolyn Jernigan and Ken Dabbs. Otis Hamm opened with prayer.

Moderator Aubrey Williamson asked the representatives from CentiMark, Chris Sellers and Keith Battenfield, to present the roof repair recommendations for Blended Fellowship.

The guests provided an impressive report of their product and plan for repairs. They discussed prices and alternative materials that could be used to successfully repair the roof at Blended Fellowship.

A letter of intent was requested to secure the company, CentiMark, for the job. Once the sales agreement is received, it will lock in the price of the roof repair materials.

An Operations Manager will come to Blended Fellowship and arrange the details of the worksite.

The CentiMark representatives answered numerous questions from members of the Executive Committee. Moderator Aubrey Williamson expressed appreciation for the excellent detailed presentation and they were dismissed.

Moderator Aubrey Williamson excused the Centimark representatives and the Executive Committee proceeded in session and a prayer was offered.

He stated that our purpose was to discuss moving quicker with the necessary roof repair at Blended Fellowship. Sam Weeks explained that he had attended a meeting with the Christian Board of Education recently and it had led to comments by Foundation members to move forward with the repair more quickly.

Sam Weeks had determined that funds for this repair were available through Church Finance Association per Director Donald Fader. They would approve a second mortgage. A loan application would need to be completed. Interest rates would be in the range of 6-7%.

Contributions from local churches as a result of the recently mailed requests were noted. It was felt that approximately \$30,000.00 would be received within the month to place as a down payment on the roof repair.

Otis Hamm made a motion to formally address a Letter of Intent to CentiMark and borrow \$75,000.00 from Church Finance Association to repair the roof at Blended Fellowship, including the entrance area, and upgrade to a 60 mil. membrane with a 20-year warranty. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The Letter of Intent would require signatures by Blended Fellowship and the Executive Committee. Clerk Eva Ballance will write a Letter of Intent and arrange a meeting with Moderator Aubrey Williamson, Rev. Doug Seymour and herself for signing purposes at Bojangles in Princeton, NC.

The Executive Committee was in 100% agreement to publicize the need for contributions for this roof repair on the Convention Headquarters' website. Clerk Eva Ballance would forward an email requesting assistance for the roof repair at Blended Fellowship from all churches and laity. A request will be made of Blended Fellowship to publish literature requesting assistance to distribute at the State Convention later this month.

Moderator Aubrey Williamson will notify Chris Sellers, CentiMark, of our intent to contract with them for this repair. Aubrey will request an updated Sales Agreement to be emailed to him reflecting the decision to upgrade the roof membrane and warranty.

Sam Weeks will be responsible to follow up with Donald Fader, Church Finance Association, regarding the loan application. Clerk Eva Ballance will notify all five

trustees by letter that the Executive Committee had voted to proceed with the roof repair at Blended Fellowship and their signatures would be needed on the loan application from Church Finance Association for \$75,000.00. Sam Weeks will try to acquire these signatures at the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists or by other prior arrangement. Other quotes from interested companies were reviewed. Quotes ranged from \$113,900.00 to \$135,000.00.

The meeting was adjourned. (MSP) Sam Weeks closed in prayer.

**The Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference met on Monday, June 15, 2009, at 8:00 a.m. at First Free Will Baptist in Smithfield.** Executive Committee members present were Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks, Eva Ballance, Carolyn Jernigan and Ken Dabbs. Moderator Aubrey Williamson called the meeting to order. Eva gave the devotion from Romans 15:1, 1 John 1:7 and 1 John 4:7 and prayed the opening prayer.

A motion was made to accept the minutes as read. (MSP)

A treasurer's report was given by Treasurer Sam Weeks. Balance is \$3594.07, with \$1375.00 designated for roof repair at Blended Fellowship, \$665.00 to be paid for the report in the Convention Yearbook, \$1100.00 in the Education Fund, and \$150.00 to be deposited into the Union account, leaving a remaining balance of \$604.07. A motion was made to adopt the treasurer's report. (MSP)

A motion was made to give the Clerk of the Cape Fear Conference a gift of \$300.00 for extra work that she had done. (MSP)

Old business discussed was the cost of the roof repair at Blended Fellowship, which will be \$101,884.00. It was noted that the increased cost for a 20 mil. membrane vs. 15 mil. membrane was between \$3000.00 and \$4000.00. Twenty-five percent is due by the date materials are uploaded and the remainder is due 30 days after completion of the repair. Church Finance is completing the paperwork for a loan concerning the roof repair at Blended Fellowship.

Blended Fellowship's budget that had been received was discussed briefly.

Planning began for the 155th Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference, which will be held on Tuesday, November 10, 2009, at the First OFWB Church of Goldsboro. Licensed Minister Tod Creech will be contacted to give the morning devotion and Licensed Minister Neil McLamb will be contacted to give the afternoon devotion. Rev. Joe Ballance will be asked to be the Alternate Speaker and Rev. Fred Baker will be asked to be the 2<sup>nd</sup> alternate.

Motion was made that the Executive Committee recommends to the conference that all the officers whose terms expire 2009 retain their positions with new terms expiring according to the Constitution. (MSP) A letter will be sent to the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee listing each name and position.

The Conference program will be changed from "Mission Committee" to read "Conference Missions" on the program. (MSP) This will be an opportunity for reports to be given by Blended Fellowship and the Task Force Feasibility Study.

Planning of the 155<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Cape Fear Conference was suspended to discuss issues related to the meeting that followed with Blended Fellowship.

Motion was made that the Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference, Pastor/Director of Blended Fellowship, Haymount Church Pastor and one other officer from Blended Fellowship will serve as the Board of Directors for Blended Fellowship Mission/Ministry. (MSP)



It was discussed that Melanie Seymour had been asked to bring information for a Sensitivity Training Presentation to the meeting today.

Also, Pastor Doug Seymour will be informed that modification of the *The Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists (of the English General Baptist Heritage)* stands as the governing manual for all churches and cannot be amended by one conference. This is a Convention issue.

The Executive Committee meeting was suspended to meet with Blended Fellowship as scheduled.

#### **Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee Meeting with Blended Fellowship**

The Taskforce Feasibility Committee met with Blended Fellowship at 9:00 A.M. Chairman Otis Hamm welcomed everyone. Rev. Doug and Melanie Seymour and Rev. Dean Kennedy joined the Executive Committee for the meeting.

Otis reviewed the minutes from the meeting on March 23, 2009. He reiterated that the Executive Committee was unanimously supportive of the ministry at Blended Fellowship. Details needed to be worked out by the Taskforce Feasibility Committee to satisfy the expectations of the Cape Fear Conference.

Rev. Doug Seymour addressed the issue of the need to have "everything" completed by the upcoming conference. He was informed that this is not an issue. The Taskforce Feasibility Committee needs to be prepared to give a report to the conference in November. He was also informed of the inability to amend the *The Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists (of the English General Baptist Heritage)*.

Clerk Eva Ballance restated the previous motion that had passed, establishing the Board of Directors for Blended Fellowship. It was met with approval by Blended Fellowship.

Melanie Seymour asked if the Constitution and Bylaws had to be completed prior to presenting themselves to the conference for adoption as a ministry. Rev. Sam Weeks stated that from past experience with other ministries, the ministry is adopted first, the Board of Directors is established and the Constitution writing process begins. It was noted that the Board of Directors (Executive Committee) may or may not feel ready to present Blended Fellowship as a ministry to the conference this year due to the ongoing work of the Task Force and the uniqueness of the situation. There needs to be a clear understanding by the conference to prevent harm to the ministry.

Melanie presented Sensitivity Training material entitled, "A Simple Orientation to Deaf Ministry." It was decided that the Board of Directors would go through training at Blended Fellowship from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. on Monday, August 10, 2009. Prior to the training, everyone will meet at Andy's at Pikeville at 5:00 p.m. for dinner.

Otis requested a church ministry status update. Melanie stated she has a list of the church leadership at Blended Fellowship, for the hearing and deaf, which are separate. Treasurer for the church is Melanie Seymour.

Rev. Seymour stated that the congregation, who attends church regularly, is connected to the ministry at Blended Fellowship. Otis noted that the setting of a congregation as part of a ministry has to be addressed. Sam Weeks stated that a congregation who meets under a ministry should be called a chapel, not named a church, but there is some confusion. Maybe a chapel/ministry board could be established in the Constitution and Bylaws. Or maybe this could be directed to the convention if there were to be a revision of *The Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists (of the English General Baptist Heritage)* Blended Fellowship is unique; the process of a

ministry forming and establishing a church is reversed. It is a congregation that grew into a ministry.

It was noted that once the loan application is completed for the roof repair at Blended Fellowship, the work can begin by mid-June.

The meeting with Blended Fellowship was adjourned.

#### **Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference Meeting (cont.)**

It was suggested that Dr. Burkette Raper may be instrumental in giving a different prospective on ways to deal with the unique situation at Blended Fellowship. He may add insight into the difficulties and situations of working with a chapel in our ministries.

Dr. Raper will be contacted and a date will be established for a meeting with him. Otis Hamm and Sam Weeks were placed in a sub-committee to develop questions to present to Dr. Raper.

The question was asked if the timing was right to approach the revision of *The Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists (of the English General Baptist Heritage)*, since Dr. Raper and Dr. Pelt would be instrumental in working toward this goal.

Carolyn Jernigan gave information on the Bulgaria Building Project.

Aubrey Williamson announced that St. Mary's Grove OFWB Church will be hosting the *Code of Ministerial Ethics*, presented by Dr. Burkette Raper and *Professional Ethics* presented by Donnie Lassiter, in the fall of 2009. He suggested inviting churches of the conference to attend and will present this invitation at the Minister's Meeting following this meeting.

Motion was made to adjourn. (MSP)

Devotion will be given by Carolyn Jernigan at the next meeting scheduled on Monday, August 24, 2009, at 2:00 p.m. and Daly's Chapel will be represented at 2:30 p.m. to meet with us.

Ken Dabbs led the closing prayer.

**The Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference met on Monday, August 10, 2009, at 5:00 p.m. at Andy's in Pikeville for dinner prior to a training session on Deaf Ministry at Blended Fellowship from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.** Executive Committee members present were Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks, Eva Ballance, and Ken Dabbs. Moderator Aubrey Williamson called the meeting to order.

A motion was made for Sam Weeks to contact the Harvest Connection/ Home Mission's Board and Director for more information about the acquiring of Messiah OFWB Church in the Piedmont Conference by Home Missions. (MSP)

A letter written by the Fellowship of Conservative Free Will Baptists was reviewed by the committee. After discussion of its content, it was decided that Sam Weeks would address concerns to the Convention Executive Committee at their next meeting. (MSP)

The meeting was adjourned.

**The Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference met on Monday, August 24, 2009, at 2:00 p.m. at First Free Will Baptist in Smithfield.** Executive Committee members present were Aubrey Williamson, Otis Hamm, Sam Weeks, Eva Ballance and Carolyn Jernigan. Moderator Aubrey Williamson called the meeting to order. Carolyn gave the devotion from the Book of Jeremiah and prayed the opening prayer. Minutes from June 15, 2009, and August 10, 2009, were approved as corrected. (MSP)



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A treasurer's report was given by Treasurer Sam Weeks. Balance is \$929.07, with \$500.00 designated for Blended Fellowship, leaving a remaining balance of \$429.07. A motion was made to accept the report as given. (MSP)

Sam Weeks stated that roof repair at Blended Fellowship is to begin prior to September 1, 2009.

Otis Hamm gave an update from the Taskforce Feasibility Committee. Due to the uniqueness of the situation at Blended Fellowship, plans should be carried out by Otis Hamm and Sam Weeks to develop questions to present to Dr. Burkette Raper to gain insight into working with a chapel in our ministries. Otis will report at the 155<sup>th</sup> Session of the Cape Fear Conference that work is continuing on the feasibility of Blended Fellowship becoming a ministry.

Plans for the 155<sup>th</sup> Session of the Cape Fear Conference were finalized.

Daly's Chapel OFWB Church failed to report to the Executive Committee at this meeting as requested. A letter was received from Home Missions and Evangelism Executive Director, David C. Hansley stating he would not be able to attend since he is on a mission trip in California. A recommendation was made by Rev. Hansley that Daly's Chapel OFWB Church be released from the Harvest Covenant Program and that the Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference proceed to follow through so they can become a self-sufficient congregation. A motion was made to send a letter to Daly's Chapel encouraging them to attend the 155<sup>th</sup> Session of the Cape Fear Conference on November 10, 2009, and the Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee will meet with them to discuss this further after the conference meeting. A copy of the letter received from Home Missions is to be included in the mailing. (MSP)

Sam Weeks is planning to meet with Home Missions/Harvest Connection Director David C. Hansley to acquire information about Messiah OFWB Church in the Piedmont Conference.

Further review and discussion of the letter released by The Fellowship of Conservative Free Will Baptists led to the conclusion that any concerns should be addressed by the Cape Fear Conference Ordination Board following their review.

Carolyn Jernigan will give the devotion at the next regular scheduled meeting on Monday, November 23, 2009, at 2:00 p.m.

Motion was made to adjourn. (MSP)

Otis Hamm led the closing prayer

Respectfully submitted,

Eva Ballance, Clerk of Cape Fear Conference

### **Report of the Board of Ordination 155<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference**

#### **I. The Ordaining Board met six times since the 154<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference:**

- a) The Ordaining Board has approved the following three licensed ministers in the Cape Fear Conference:  
    Tod Creech, Faith Church  
    Neil McLamb, Lee's Chapel Church  
    Carla R. Williamson, Casey's Chapel Church

- b) The Ordaining Board has approved one licensed minister to proceed with ordination. The service is planned for Sunday, November 15, 2009 6pm at the Oak Grove Church  
John Butler, Oak Grove Church

**II. The Ordaining Board met on November 24, 2008, at the First FWB Church, Smithfield.**

Board members present were: Sam Weeks, Frank Harrison, Joe Ballance, and Aubrey Williamson, a) The meeting was opened with prayer, b) The Board met with Mr. John Butler concerning continuing for 90 more days of service at Covenant in Hope Mills, NC. Motion seconded, passed that he be allowed to continue, c) Motion, seconded and passed that the Rev. Charles Petit be approved to serve as pastor at Lanwood Chapel OFWB Church, d) The meeting was adjourned in prayer.

**III. The Ordaining Board met on March 23, 2009, at the First FWB Church, Smithfield.**

Board members present were: Sam Weeks, Frank Harrison, Joe Ballance, Jim Bogle and Aubrey Williamson, a) The meeting was opened with prayer, b) The Board discussed Mr. John Butler concerning continuing for 90 more days of service at Covenant in Hope Mills, NC. Motion seconded, passed that he be allowed to continue, c) The Board agreed to invite the Rev. Charles Petit to our next meeting, d) The Board met with Rev. Don Fleming who is requesting permission to serve the West Clinton OFWB Church. Mr. Fleming is a member of the Western Conference. Motion, seconded and passed for approval to serve,

e) The Board met with Mr. Tod Creech from the Faith OFWB Church. A letter was received from the church requesting approval for licensure. The Board reviewed Mr. Creech's application and examined Mr. Creech. Motion seconded and passed that Mr. Creech is approved and that Faith OFWB Church be notified to proceed with licensing. Mr. Creech's Board mentor is Jim Bogle, f) It was noted that according to Cape Fear Conference minutes, Rev. Joe Myrick and Rev. Scott Satterfield were absent at the last two consecutive annual Conference sessions. They will be notified, g) The meeting was adjourned in prayer.

**IV. The Ordaining Board met on June 15, 2009, at the First FWB Church, Smithfield.**

Board members present were: Sam Weeks, Frank Harrison, Joe Ballance, and Aubrey Williamson, a) The meeting was opened with prayer, b) The Board discussed Mr. John Butler concerning continuing for 90 more days of service at Covenant in Hope Mills, NC. Motion seconded, passed that he be allowed to continue, c) The Board met with Mr. Neil McLamb from the Lee's Chapel OFWB Church. A letter was received from the church requesting approval for licensure. The Board reviewed Mr. McLamb's application and examined Mr. McLamb. Motion seconded and passed that Mr. McLamb is approved and that Lee's Chapel OFWB Church be notified to proceed with licensing. Mr. McLamb's Board mentor is Frank Harrison, d) It was noted that Rev. Joe Myrick responded to the inquiry concerning missing two consecutive annual Conference meetings. He stated that he attended the annual Conference session at St. Mary's Grove Church in 2007, arrived late and failed to notify the clerk that he was present. He extended his apology and sent a letter notifying the Conference that he was unable to attend the 2008 session of the

Conference due to health reasons, e) It was announced that the President of the Convention of Original Free Will Baptists has invited all Conference Moderators and Board of Ordination members to a meeting. The meeting will be held at Johnston Union FWB Church, Smithfield, NC at 1pm on June 16, 2009 to discuss the possibility of standardizing ordination requirements, f) The meeting was adjourned in prayer.

**V. The Ordaining Board met on June 29, 2009, at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Sam Weeks, Smith Road, Smithfield.**

Board members present were: Sam Weeks, Frank Harrison, Joe Ballance, Jim Bogle and Aubrey Williamson. a) After a delightful and delicious meal; the meeting was opened with prayer.

b) The purpose of this meeting:

1) to discuss the meeting called by the Convention President for all Conference moderators and Ordaining Board members that was held at Johnston Union Church on June 16.

2) make suggestions for our procedures in regard to that discussion.

Note: The meeting primarily gave opportunity to discuss the requirements and procedures concerning the licensing and ordination of candidates in prospective Conferences. There was a consensus that there are differences concerning the intricate details that each Conference follows. No decisive move toward standardizing those procedures was agreed upon, but many of the pros and cons of the conference procedures were weighed and discussed. There was discussion concerning educational requirements. The requirements included those educational requirements prior to ordination and discussions were shared concerning whether there is a need for continuing education requirements. Nothing was finalized, but the discussion was initialized.

As a result, the Board of Ordination of the Cape Fear Conference makes these suggestions for the future:

1) Direct questions concerning continuing education unit (CEU) requirements to the Commission on Education and continue the discussion of a standardized ordination examination.

2) Leave the 90 day approval limitation "as is" for licensed ministers serving a church in our conference.

3) Make a list of the "do('s) and don't('s) for licensed ministers to be given to each candidate.

4) Continue to offer suggested readings to the ministers of our Conference for their use as needed.

5) To emphasize the requirement that a candidate cannot allow their license to lapse during their preparation period for ordination. Further, that it is responsibility of the licensed minister to make the request to their church annually for their license to be renewed, to ensure that the license does not lapse. A church issues a license for one year and can renew the license annually up to five years. Note Section 2: The Ministry in *The Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists (of the English General Baptist Heritage)*. c) The meeting was adjourned in prayer.

**VI. The Ordaining Board met on August 24, 2009, at the First FWB Church, Smithfield.**

Board members present were: Sam Weeks, Frank Harrison, Joe Ballance, Jim Bogle and Aubrey Williamson. a) The meeting was opened with prayer, b) The Board met



concerning Mr. John Butler continuing for 90 more days of service at Covenant in Hope Mills, NC. Motion seconded, passed that he be allowed to continue, c) The meeting was adjourned in prayer.

**VII. The Ordaining Board met on October 30, 2009, at the First FWB Church, Smithfield.**

Board members present were: Sam Weeks, Frank Harrison, Joe Ballance, Jim Bogle and Aubrey Williamson. a) Frank Harrison will notify Rev. Scott Satterfield by letter concerning required attendance procedures for annual Cape Fear Conference meetings. b) The Board met with Ms. Carla R. Williamson from the Casey's Chapel OFWB Church. A letter was received from the church requesting approval for licensure. The Board reviewed Ms. Williamson's application and examined Ms. Williamson. (Note: To avoid any notion of conflict of interest Aubrey Williamson served as temporary chair during this business item and abstained from voting) Motion seconded and passed that Ms. Williamson is approved and that Casey's Chapel OFWB Church be notified to proceed with licensing. Ms. Williamson's Board mentor is Sam Weeks. c) The Board has received notification by letter from Oak Grove OFWB Church advising that Mr. John Butler has met the educational requirements for ordination and is prepared to sit for the ordination exam. Mr. Butler has completed the written examination that was administered by his Board mentor, Frank Harrison. Mr. Butler met with the Board to complete the oral portion of the examination for ordination. Mr. Butler received a passing grade on both the written and oral examination. Motion was made, seconded and passed to ordain. Discussions to make preparations to ordain Mr. Butler proceeded. It was agreed that the requested date, November 15, 2009 at 6:00pm at the Oak Grove OFWB Church be set for this special service. d) The meeting was closed in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sam Weeks, Chairman  
Frank Harrison  
Joe Ballance  
Jim Bogle  
Aubrey Williamson, Secretary

**The Report of the Minister's Association  
155<sup>th</sup> Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists**

During the past year, the Cape Fear Minister's Association met for four meetings. Several good speakers made presentations that provided us with excellent information and challenged each of the ministers to work for the cause of Christ.

Our guest speaker in November, 2008, was Rev. Harold Jones, Director of OFWB International (Foreign Missions), who presented a slide show on Liberia and spoke about Foreign Mission's ministry in that region. In March, 2009, Rev. Dean Kennedy and Rev. Doug Seymour were the guest speakers. Rev. Kennedy gave his personal testimony and Rev. Seymour gave an update on Blended Fellowship and a detailed report on the roof problem at their facility. Rev. Don Fader, Director of Church Finance, was the guest speaker for the June meeting, who gave a presentation on the stability of this ministry. For the meeting in August, the guest speaker was Dr W. Burkette Raper, Founder and President of The North Carolina Foundation for Christian

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Ministries, who gave information on an endowment that had been established for Blended Fellowship Mission/Ministry.

We have 28 ministers on roll with an average attendance of 14 ministers at each meeting. All of the meetings were held at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Smithfield. Dr. Sam Weeks and his wife, Connie, with assistance from members of his church, prepared the noon meals that were served after each meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Reverend Joe Ballance, Secretary/Treasurer

### **Blended Fellowship Mission/Ministry Report 155<sup>th</sup> Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists**

The Blended Fellowship family wishes to express deep and sincere appreciation to the Cape Fear Conference for your continuing support. This support was made known in a huge way just a few months ago. With the help of the Conference, we were able to secure a loan through Church Finance to have a new roof put on our building. Praise the Lord! All of us are still rejoicing and thanking the Lord! We no longer have to drive to the facility at all hours of the night to empty the buckets catching water from the leaks. During heavy rains, some of our men have stayed all night long to keep buckets and trashcans from overflowing. We thank the people of the Cape Fear Conference, and those from other conferences and denominations, for making it possible for those men to stay home at night with their families!

Blended Fellowship also gratefully acknowledges the contributions received from the Cape Fear Conference for the Blended Fellowship Endowed Fund. The fund now totals more than \$25,000.

One of the most exciting things to happen this year was a new event presented at Blended Fellowship called "Deaf Judgment Day". This event was created and presented by the deaf members of our congregation. Their idea was to take the concept of the "Judgment House" drama and put it in format that would be easily understood by the deaf. Fifty deaf people came to the event, including some that drove from as far away as Wallace and Wilmington. After the drama, I shared the Gospel message with them and invited them to accept Jesus Christ as their Savior. Twenty-two immediately came forward and accepted the invitation. To God be the glory! We are especially excited and thankful that our deaf members are realizing the need to share the Good News of salvation through Christ with their deaf peers.

As always, we appreciate your prayers as we continue to make Jesus known to the Deaf.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Seymour, Pastor/Director

### **Cape Fear Youth Fellowship Report**

The next youth rally is this Saturday, November 14, at Powhatan OFWB Church, beginning at 3:00 p.m. We will have a hot dog supper and display arts and crafts



from our youth. Talent performances will follow. We are very excited to have over 70 young people registered to take part in one or both of the categories. Wanda Benson has the schedule of dates and host churches for 2010 and they will be available Saturday at the rally. We look forward to having a good turnout. Keep the youth work in your prayers as we work to grow our numbers. We thank you for your support.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Parsons (for Wanda Benson)

### Christian Board of Education Report 154<sup>th</sup> Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists

The Board of Christian Education met June 2, 2009, at First Original Free Will Baptist at Smithfield to grade the applications which were received for Scholarships. Seven applications were received. First place received \$500.00. Each applicant received some scholarship money.

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Nicole Puckett	First OFWB- Smithfield	\$500.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Richard Parker Whitman	Smyrna OFWB Church	\$100.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	April Donalda Denning	Robert's Grove OFWB Church	\$100.00
4 <sup>th</sup> Place	Michael Reed Johnson	Hopewell OFWB Church	\$100.00
5 <sup>th</sup> Place	Ashley Lauren Braswell	Casey's Chapel OFWB Church	\$100.00
6 <sup>th</sup> Place	Amanda Carol Parrish	Bethel OFWB Church	\$100.00
7 <sup>th</sup> Place	Lacey Renee Anderson	Blended Fellowship Ministry/Mission	\$100.00

Each applicant was highly qualified. A point system is used to determine scholarship distribution. It was noted that the Board desired for every applicant to receive \$500.00, but the funds were not available.

In November, 2008, the Annual Session of the Cape Fear Conference voted to change the Union Meeting to the Cape Fear Conference Fellowship, to be planned by the Christian Board of Education. (See the Constitution and Bylaws of the Cape Fear Conference that can be found in the 2009 Convention of OFWB Report Book, page 125, Section 9 for the Christian Board of Education duties.) The 2010 Cape Fear Conference Fellowship Meeting Schedule was presented and the host churches had been scheduled.

January 30, 2010	Haymount OFWB Church	10:00 AM	Board of Education
			Wayne Puckett
May 29, 2010	Hopewell OFWB Church	10:00 AM	Rev. Clarence Privette
			Children's Home
August 28, 2010	Johnston Union OFWB Church	10:00 AM	Gary Lee
			Rev. Scott Casey
			Retirement Homes
October 30, 2010	Lee's Chapel OFWB Church	10:00 AM	Rev. Ronnie Taylor
			Rev. Tim Heath
			Cragmont
			Rev. John Williams
		11:00 AM	Rev. Ricky Warren

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Parsons, Chairperson

### **Cape Fear Conference Woman's Auxiliary Report**

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Cape Fear Conference praised the efforts of the auxiliaries and churches in meeting the goal of \$214,000.00 to build the "House of Prayer" in Balchik, Bulgaria. At the Fall Convention of the Cape Fear Conference Auxiliary, the emergent need was addressed and requests were made of all conferences of OFWB Auxiliaries and churches to work and pray to make "House of Prayer" a reality. Praise God for the success of all efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Jernigan

### **Temperance and Resolutions Committee**

1. **Whereas**, the First OFWB Church of Goldsboro has been such a gracious host for this sitting of the Conference, we, the Cape Fear Conference, give a rising vote of thanks to the church.

**Therefore, be it resolved that** the Cape Fear Conference give a rising vote of thanks to the First OFWB Church of Goldsboro.

Submitted by the Resolutions Committee

#### **Resolution adopted**

2. **Whereas**, the Cape Fear Conference has a partial history of the Conference, **be it resolved** that the Conference and the Executive Committee appoint a historical committee to complete and update the history of the Cape Fear Conference for the year 2011, which will be the 400<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of the writing of the first Statement of Faith of the English General Baptists from which we receive our heritage as Original Free Will Baptists.

Submitted by the Resolutions Committee

#### **Resolution adopted**

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Weeks, Chair

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**Obituary Committee**

We, the Obituary Committee do offer the following report to the 155<sup>th</sup> Session of the Cape Fear Conference. Since the 154<sup>th</sup> Session of our Conference, we have had no minister or minister's wife to pass away.

Respectfully submitted,

Emmitt Jones, Chair

**Nominating Committee**

The Nominating Committee submitted the following to serve the conference:

Executive Committee- Clerk (2011): *Eva Ballance*  
Assistant Clerk (2011): *Carolyn Jernigan*  
Member at Large (2011): *Ken Dabbs*  
One Member of the Board of Trustees - (2014): *J.N. Bryant*  
One Member of the Board of Education - (2014): *Doug Seymour*  
One Member of the Ordaining Board - (2014): *Sam Weeks*

Respectfully submitted,

Otis Hamm, Chair

**Credentials Committee**

Present at the One Hundred Fifty-Fifth Annual Session of Cape Fear Conference are as follows:

Ministers	34	
Officers	5	
Delegates	31	
<u>Visitors</u>	<u>30</u>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	(Several workers not counted)

Respectfully submitted,

John Hill, Chair

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**Cape Fear Conference Treasurer's Report  
November 10, 2008 - November 9, 2009  
Goldsboro 1<sup>st</sup>. OFWB Church  
November 10, 2009**

I.	Balance on hand as of November 10, 2008:	<b>\$800.05</b>
II.	Receipts:	
	2008 Conference (offering and letters)	\$2,357.00
	Union offerings and letters (Dec/Mar/May/Aug)	\$2,421.27
	Late Conference/Union (Mailed in)	\$755.00
	Blended Fellowship Endowment Gifts	\$325.15
	Blended Fellowship Roof Project	\$4,286.55
	Designated Gifts for Blended Fellowship Mission	<u>\$2,700.00</u>
	Total Receipts:	<b>\$12,844.97</b>
	Total to account for:	<b>\$13,645.02</b>
III.	Disbursements:	
	Conf/Union Expenses (Postage, travel, honorariums)	\$940.00
	N. C. Foundation for Christian Ministries	\$1,525.15
	Foreign Missions	\$462.62
	Home Missions	\$462.63
	Education Scholarship	\$1,100.00
	Blended Fellowship Designated Gifts	\$2,700.00
	Blended Fellowship Roof Project	\$4,286.55
	Convention of OFWB (2008 Report Books)	\$665.00
	Convention of OFWB (Delegates and Gift)	<u>\$410.00</u>
	Total Disbursements:	<b>\$12,551.95</b>
IV.	Balance on hand as of November 9, 2009:	<b>\$1,093.07</b>
	(Out of this balance \$114.00 is in the Education Fund)	
V.	Formula for disbursements of Conference/Union Dues and Offerings:	
	Missions = 25% (half to Foreign and half to Home)	
	Christian Education Fund = 20%	
	Union and Conference expenses = 55%	

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Weeks, Treasurer

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**Minutes  
of the  
261st Annual Session  
of the  
Central Conference  
of the  
Original Free Will Baptists**

**Held with  
King's Cross Roads Original Free Will Baptist Church of Fountain  
Pitt County, North Carolina  
Thursday, November 5, 2009  
The Reverend Bruce Jones, Host Pastor**

**Officers of the Conference**

**Moderator: The Reverend Phillip Boykin**

**Assistant Moderator: The Reverend Johnny Sullivan**

**Clerk: The Reverend Alan Joyner**

**Assistant Clerk: The Reverend Mark Hobbs**

**Treasurer: The Reverend Charles Branch**



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**Boards and Committees**

**Executive Committee (2008-2010)**

The Reverend Phillip Boykin, Moderator  
The Reverend Johnny Sullivan, Assistant Moderator  
The Reverend Alan Joyner, Clerk  
The Reverend Mark Hobbs, Assistant Clerk  
The Reverend Charles Branch, Treasurer

**Board of Ordination**

The Reverend Tony Glass (2010)                      The Reverend Frank Flowers (2011)  
The Reverend Dr. Franklin Baggett (2012)                      The Reverend Leon Grubbs (2013)  
The Reverend Ronnie V. Hobgood (2014)

**Board of Trustees**

Mrs. Barbara Mills (2010)                      Mr. Rex Wainwright (2011)  
Mr. Jay Tripp (2012)

**Representation of Membership in the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation, Inc.**

The Reverend Tony Parrish (2010)

**Credentials Committee**

The Reverend Marc Boswell (2010)                      The Reverend Doug Owens (2011)  
The Reverend Frank Cockrell (2012)

**Memorial Committee**

The Reverend Tony Parrish (2010)                      The Reverend Charles Russell (2011)  
The Reverend Ray Williamson (2012)

**Conference Historian**

Dr. Michael Pelt (2010)

**Representative of Membership in Church Finance Association, Inc.**

The Reverend Walter Reynolds (2010)

**Continuing Education Committee**

The Reverend Bryant Hines (2010)                      The Reverend Doug Tyson (2011)  
The Reverend Brad Williamson (2012)

**Church Growth Committee**

The Reverend Jack Weathersby (2010)                      The Reverend Kelley Smart (2011)  
The Reverend Todd Sutton (2012)

## Proceedings

The Central Conference, being the continuation of the General Conference of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, convened in its 261st annual session with King's Cross Roads Original Free Will Baptist Church of Fountain, North Carolina, on Thursday, November 5, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.

The Conference opened with the hymn, "He Keeps Me Singing." Mr. Matt Stocks read scripture taken from Luke 12:22-31 and led us in prayer.

The Reverend Alan Joyner, clerk, called the 261<sup>st</sup> annual session to order. The Reverend Bruce Jones, pastor of the host church, extended a cordial welcome to the Conference.

The Reverend Phillip Boykin, moderator, shared several points using Psalm 53:2 as his text. The Reverend Phillip Boykin shared with each of us that there are times in our lives that we may fail to seek after God. But we were reminded as the people of God we must learn to seek and follow after God in all of our thoughts and actions everyday. We were then lead in a time of prayer by the Reverend Boykin.

The people of the conference were then asked to meet at least two people that we did not get to see on a regular basis and welcome them to the conference. Everyone really enjoyed the time of fellowship.

The roll of churches was called with 36 churches responding with delegates.

Visitors were recognized and welcomed by the moderator.

The moderator appointed temporary committees as follows:

Nominating Committee: Reverends Ronnie Hobgood, Leon Grubbs, and Bobby Taylor

Resolutions Committee: Reverends Brad Williamson, Doug Skinner, and Ray Williamson

Parliamentarian: Rev. Dr. Frankie Baggett

The report of the Executive Committee was read by the clerk. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The report of the Board of Ordination was read by Reverend Tony Glass. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

Representing the denominational and conference ministries were as follows:

Convention Services: Reverend Buddy Sasser, Sunday School: Ms. Mary Dudley, Free Will Baptist Press: Mr. Darren Davenport, Retirement Homes: Reverend Ronnie Taylor, Home Mission and Evangelism and Disaster Relief: Ms. Laura Monroe, Mount Olive College: Reverend Jeff Daughtry, Children's Home: Mr. Gary Lee, Foreign Missions: Reverend Harold Jones, Ministers Program: Reverend Phillip Boykin, Cragmont Assembly: Reverend Buddy Sasser,

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At 11:05 a.m. the Conference business was set aside for the worship service. The service was opened in prayer by Reverend Phillip Boykin. The congregation was then led by Reverend Johnny Sullivan in the singing of "Blessed Assurance." The offertory prayer was given by Reverend Charles Branch and the conference offering received. A very wonderful time of special music was presented by Mr. Spencer Owens. The Reverend Mark Hobbs read from John 4:28-30 and led us in the Morning Prayer as we all gathered at the altar. The congregation was then led by Reverend Johnny Sullivan in the singing of "I'd Rather Have Jesus." The Reverend Jack Weathersby delivered the conference sermon. Reverend Weathersby used 1 John 1:5-10 as his text for the message, titled "What is the Message." As the church we have a message to tell others. The message to be shared with others is that God is light and that in Him there is no darkness. We live in a time of watching and waiting for Jesus return. In this time we should be happy but we have been looking for happiness in the wrong places. We are a people that need to be reminded that we are holy and set apart to do God's work. The church should be busy not just getting it, but giving it to others about the message of light. We must stay plugged in to get our power from God. The question that we were presented with was, are we still relying on God's word to be real in our lives. We must surrender ourselves to God so that we can serve as we are called to do so. We must step out of the way to let God have the control. Our service to God is a pathway to joy. We need to spend time on our knees in prayer to seek God. Our feeling of salvation should be renewed everyday. We must remember that Jesus came to seek and save those that are lost. Did we get the message, "God is Light!"

The worship service concluded with the singing of "Just As I Am" and a corporate reading of an affirmation of faith based on our Articles of Faith.

The service was closed in prayer by the Reverend Alan Joyner.

The Conference recessed for the meal at 12:15 p.m. with prayer by Reverend Bruce Jones.

## Afternoon Session

The afternoon session was called to order at 1:15 p.m.

We began our Memorial service with the singing of "When We All Get to Heaven." The Reverends Charles Russell, and Tony Parrish, gave the report of the Memorial Committee. By motion the report was adopted. [see Reports]

There was a time of sharing from the many churches in our conference.

The roll call of ministers was called with 46 ministers present.

The Reverend Dr. Burkette Raper gave a report from the NC Foundation for Christian Ministries.

A motion was made for \$1200 to be given to the N. C. Foundation for Christian Ministries. *[Motion Passed]*

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A report was given by Ms. Mae Pittman for the Central Conference Woman's Auxiliary.

The Reverend Doug Owens gave the report of the Credentials Committee. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The Reverend Charles Branch gave the Treasurer's Report. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

By motion, it was agreed to accept the proposed Conference budget for 2009-2010.

The Reverend Todd Sutton gave the report of the Church Growth Committee. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The report of the Continuing Education Committee was given as presented. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The Reverend Leon Grubbs gave the report of the Nominating Committee. By motion, the report was adopted. [see Reports]

The Reverend Brad Williamson gave the report of the Resolutions Committee. [see Reports]

The moderator called for miscellaneous business. [see Reports]

The Reverend Phillip Boykin, Moderator and Reverend Johnny Sullivan Assistant Moderator, presented certificates to the following ministers in recognition of years of service: [60 years] Reverend Walter Reynolds, Reverend Earl Glenn [55 years] Reverend Willis Wilson, [50 years] Reverend Melvin Moore, [40 years], Reverend Charles Branch, Reverend Arnold Price, [30 years] Reverend Philip Wood, and Reverend Bryant Hines.

The Conference was adjourned by singing "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus."

The Conference was dismissed with prayer by the Reverend Mark Hobbs.

Respectfully submitted,

The Reverend Phillip Boykin, Moderator

The Reverend Alan Joyner, Clerk

## Reports

### Report of the Executive Committee

*January 29, 2009*

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on January 29, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Alan Joyner, Charles Branch and Mark Hobbs. The Reverend

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Phillip Boykin called the meeting to order and read from I Corinthians 3:8. The Reverend Phillip Boykin opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The minutes of the 260<sup>th</sup> session of the Central Conference were read, corrected, and approved.

The Reverend Charles Branch presented the treasurer's report and by motion the report was approved.

By motion, it was agreed during the Conference follow-up that members of the Executive Committee would contact ministers with unpaid dues.

By motion, it was agreed Reverend Phillip Boykin will serve as an appointed representative to the Board of Ordination (Moderators appointment). The Reverend Johnny Sullivan will serve as an appointed representative to the Church Growth Committee. The Reverend Mark Hobbs will serve as an appointed representative to the Continuing Education Committee.

The Clerk and assistant clerk have been appointed as a subcommittee to look at the conference officers and their terms.

The clerk was appointed as publicity committee.

By motion, it was agreed to send \$300.00 to the Sunday school ministry for camp scholarships.

By motion, it was agreed to appoint the Reverend Walter Reynolds to fulfill the unexpired term of Mr. I. Z. Cobb (deceased) as Representative of Membership in Church Finance Association, Inc.

The 261<sup>st</sup> Annual Session of the Central Conference of the Original Free Will Baptist will be hosted by King's Cross Roads Original Free Will Baptist Church, Fountain, North Carolina on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be a joint meeting with the Board of Ordination on April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at Howell Swamp Original Free Will Baptist Church followed by the meeting of the Executive Committee.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Mark Hobbs.

April 7, 2009

The Executive Committee and the Board of Ordination of the Central Conference held a joint meeting on April 7, 2009 at 9 a.m. at Howell Swamp Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Johnny Sullivan, Alan



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Joyner, Charles Branch, Mark Hobbs, Frank Flowers, Tony Glass, C.H. Overman, Leon Grubbs and Frankie Baggett. The purpose of the meeting was to cooperatively select a committee to write procedures for suspension of ministers who have been charged with criminal conduct and termination of ministers who have been found guilty of criminal charges or immoral acts. This committee selection was passed in the 2008 Central Conference meeting. The committee shall consist of the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Alan Joyner, Frank Flowers, C.H. Overman, Harry Grubbs, and Mr. Charles McLawhorn.

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on April 7, 2009, at 10:30 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner, Charles Branch and Mark Hobbs. The Reverend Phillip Boykin called the meeting to order and read from John 19:28. The Reverend Mark Hobbs opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Reverend Charles Branch presented the treasurer's report and by motion the report was approved.

Discussion was given and updates given concerning ministers with unpaid dues and churches that have made no contributions to the conference.

Discussion was given concerning the meeting that was held with the Board of Ordination. Following the discussion the Executive Committee made the decision to sponsor a workshop on the "Code of Ethics." All Central Conference ministers are required to attend. The workshop will be held at The First Free Will Baptist Church in Greenville, North Carolina on October 10<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Speakers for the workshop will be the Reverends Johnny Sullivan, C.H. Overman, Mark Hobbs, and the Reverend Doctor Frankie Baggett.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be held on May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at Mount Olive College.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Alan Joyner.

May 20, 2009

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on May 20, 2009, at Mount Olive College. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner, Charles Branch and Mark Hobbs. The Reverend Phillip Boykin called the meeting to order and read from Job 11:7. The Reverend Phillip Boykin opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Reverend Charles Branch presented the treasurer's report and by motion the report was approved.

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Discussion was given and updates given concerning ministers with unpaid dues and churches that have made no contributions to the conference. We have two pastors with unpaid dues and one church with no contribution.

Discussion was given concerning ministers joining the conference and when their dues should start. By motion the dues for ministers joining the conference shall begin at the seating of the next conference.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be held on September 15, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Mark Hobbs.

September 15, 2009

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on September 15, 2009, at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner, Charles Branch and Mark Hobbs. The Reverend Phillip Boykin called the meeting to order and read from Psalm 19:14 in which he reminded us to always ask God for wisdom in all that we do. The Reverend Charles Branch opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read corrected and approved.

The Reverend Charles Branch presented the treasurer's report and by motion the report was approved.

Discussion was given concerning ministers with unpaid dues and a church that has not made a contribution. A motion was made to waive the 08 dues for the Reverend Alvin Keener for medical reasons.

Discussion was given concerning our upcoming 2009 conference for our speaker, music leader and committees that need to be in place at this conference.

Discussion was given concerning the upcoming workshop on, "My Ministerial Code of Ethics" which will be held on October 10<sup>th</sup> 2009 at First Free Will Baptist Church of Greenville. By motion a letter will be sent to each minister that did not attend the workshop to inform them of what needs to be done to bring them into compliance on this workshop, their names will also be forwarded to the Board of Ordination.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be held on October 29, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Mark Hobbs.

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October 29, 2009

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference and the Board of Ordination met on October 29, 2009, at Free Union Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner, Charles Branch, Frankie Baggett, Tony Glass, and C. H. Overman. The Reverend Phillip Boykin called the meeting to order and read from Psalm 1:1-3 in which he reminded us to always stay focused on Christ so that we may continue to grow. The Reverend Johnny Sullivan opened with prayer.

The meeting was declared in Executive Session.  
Upon coming out of Executive Session meeting continued.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Reverend Charles Branch presented the treasurer's report and by motion the report was approved.

Discussion was given concerning the budget for 2009-2010.

Discussion was given concerning the minister that did not attend the Minister's workshop on October 10<sup>th</sup>. A letter will be sent giving them instructions on the website preview or how they may obtain a DVD to view this workshop.

The next meeting of the Central Conference Executive Committee will be held on November 5, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. at King's Cross Roads Original Free Will Baptist Church.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Charles Branch.

November 5, 2009

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met on November 5, 2009, at 8:30 a.m. at King's Cross Roads Original Free Will Baptist Church. Present for the meeting were the Reverends Phillip Boykin, Johnny Sullivan, Alan Joyner, Charles Branch, and Mark Hobbs. The Reverend Phillip Boykin called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

By motion it was agreed to accept the order of the Conference and to allow the Moderator to make any necessary changes.

The meeting was adjourned in prayer by the Reverend Phillip Boykin.

Respectfully submitted,  
Alan Joyner, Clerk  
Phillip Boykin, Moderator

## **Report of the Board of Ordination**

### **Central Conference Board of Ordination**

Reverend Frank Flowers, Chairman

Reverend C.H. Overman

Reverend Leon Grubbs

Reverend Tony Glass, Secretary

Reverend Dr. Franklin Baggett

### ***Meetings***

The Board of Ordination has met six times since the last conference.

### ***Approved For License***

There were no new candidates approved for licensing since the last meeting of the Conference.

### **Dropped From List of Licensed Ministers**

Mr. Calvin Craft

### **Dropped From List of Ordained Ministers**

The Reverend David Allen

### **Ordained Ministers**

There were no ministers ordained in the Central conference since the last meeting of the Conference.

### **Scheduled meetings and of the Board of Ordination for the year 2010**

January 12, 2010 at Hull Road Original Free Will Baptist Church at 10 am.

April 13, 2010 at Howell Swamp Original Free Will Baptist Church at 10 am.

July 13, 2010 at the Original Free Will Baptist Headquarters at 10 am.

October 12, 2010 at Elm Grove Original Free Will Baptist Church at 10 am.

### **Inclusions to this report:**

1. The Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government for Original Free Will Baptists in Section 1: The Local Congregation states the following on page 68 concerning the church's calling of a pastor: *"The church shall call its own pastor, from among the duly Ordained Original Free Will Baptist ministers who are approved by the Conference of which the church is a member."*
2. We wish to remind any church in our Conference, when extending a call to a minister to serve as your pastor, to be sure that the minister gets proper clearance from the Conference Board of Ordination before assuming duties as pastor of the church.
3. All candidates for ordination in the Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptists must take and pass the Ordination Examination.

4. We wish to remind all Central Conference ordained ministers of the following resolution, which was adopted at the conference meeting of November 6, 2008.

**“All Central Conference Ordained Ministers must physically attend at least one Conference meeting every three years to maintain their Conference Credentials. Exceptions will include those on active full time military duty, full time foreign missionaries and those confined to home or health care facilities.”**

**Report of the Memorial Committee**

Paul says in II Timothy 4:6-8, “For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only but unto all them also that love His appearing”.

In our memorial service today, we want to remember those who have faithfully served the Lord through the Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptist, and gone on to enter their eternal reward. We thank God for the lives and influence of these individuals. For any names of deceased members not listed, or misspelled, we regret and apologize.

Churches and deceased members:

**Aspen Grove**

**Ayden**

Jesse Lathan Corbett  
Helen May McLawhorn

**Bethany**

**Black Jack**

Ruth Hudson  
Leona Mills  
Sam Hodges  
J. T. Mills

**Community**

**Daniels Chapel**

Walker Gorman  
Edith Daniel  
Clarence Pittman  
Waldine Hooks  
Bill Pittman  
Chad Skinner  
David Vick  
Emma Cayton

**Dilda's Grove**

**Edgewood**

**Elm Grove**

Alice Jones  
Mavis Hall  
Sarah J. Pait  
Everette “Buck” Wilson



**First FWB Church, Greenville**

Alice Crisp  
Charlie Harris  
Susie Cannon  
Marie Stocks  
Drewry Waller  
Verta Manning  
Nell Walters  
Harold Phillips  
Katie Griffin  
Sallie Baker

**First FWB Church, Rocky Mount**

**First FWB Church, Tarboro**

Irene Hill  
Mary Hayes  
Rodney Jones  
Elwood Radford  
Robert Medley

**First FWB Church, Williamston**

**Free Union**

Alice Newcomb  
Maude Mooring  
Mary Francis Beaman  
Luther Beaman  
Mary Hardison  
Irene Harrell  
LuRae Clark Tyndall  
Bill Garriss  
Geneva Heath

**Friendship**

I. Z. "Bud Cobb

**Grimsley**

**Gum Swamp**

Charlie Spain

**Harrell's Chapel**

Martha Ham  
Woody Ham  
H. B. Smith

**Hickory Grove**

Lucy K. Copeland

**Hillside**

Annie Marie Hart

**Howell Swamp**

Grover Roberson

**Hugo**

Dell Grant  
Elbert Rouse

**Hull Road**

**King's Crossroads**

Leroy Bowling  
Ralph Ennis  
Ethel Harmon  
Betty Peaden  
Elizabeth Price

**LaGrange**

Ken Sutton  
H. Max Smith  
Edna Smith

**Little Creek**

Mildred Cox  
Lucille McLawhorn  
William Earl Stocks  
Bobby McLawhorn

**Marlboro**

Bobbie Parker Shirley  
Thelma Starling Tugwell  
William Eugene Beaman  
Myrtle Windham Allen  
Pat Wood Shackleford

**Ormondsville**

Hazel Stocks  
Eddie Stocks

**Otter's Creek**

Robert Lee Jefferson  
Letha Jefferson

**Owens Chapel**

**Peace**

Patricia Bradbury

**Piney Grove (Beaufort County)**

John Wayne Ausbon

**Piney Grove (Pitt County)**

**Pleasant Hill**

Carrie Haddock

Bruce Sutton

Carl Spencer Venters

Troy Adams

**Reedy Branch**

Estelle Thorpe

**Rose Hill**

**Rose of Sharon**

Peggy Bailey

Joyce Roberson

J. R. Jenkins

**Saint's Delight**

Jimmy Grimsley

James "Tommy" Wells

**Saratoga**

**Spring Branch**

Wilton Ellis

Leah Welch

**Sweet Gum Grove**

**Walnut Creek**

Dorothy L. Crocker

Lois Langston

Walter C. Whitfield

**Watery Branch**

Patty Roberson

**Winterville**

Lighting of the Memorial Candle

A Moment of Silent Prayer

Respectfully submitted, Reverends Charles Russell, and Tony Parrish

November 5, 2009

**Report of the Credentials Committee**

We, the Credentials Committee, respectfully submit the following attendance totals subsequent to the approval of the conference:

Central Conference Delegates	56
Central Conference Ministers	38
Licensed Ministers	8
Visitors	17
Visiting Ministers	<u>7</u>
Total Registered	126

Respectfully submitted,

Reverends Doug Owens, Frank Cockrell, and Marc Boswell

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Report of Conference Treasurer

30-Oct-09

Balance From November	2008	\$2,464.37
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Receipts

Church Contributions	\$4,672.00
Conference Offering	\$407.75
Transferred from Savings	\$0.00
Endowment Income	\$1,820.35
Maury Endowment	\$227.54
Miscellaneous	
Minister Membership Dues	\$1,610.00

Total Income	\$8,737.64	<u>\$8,737.64</u>
Total Income plus starting balance		\$11,202.01

Disbursements

Centura Bank (Bank Charges)	\$0.00
Board of Ordination (Computer Repair)	\$82.50
Church Growth Committee	\$1,000.00
Conference Expense	\$219.22

Programs, booklets, etc.

Continuing Education Committee	
Convention of OFWB Support	\$500.00
Convention of FWB (Year Book)	\$770.00
Executive Committee Expenses	\$100.00
Office Supplies (Postage)	\$105.81
Conference Secretary	\$50.00
Conference Treasurer	\$50.00
Miscellaneous (Minister's Workshop)	\$13.50
Funeral Flags	\$307.80
Non-Budgeted items	\$3,650.00

Convention Office Furniture - \$350.00

Foreign Missions - \$1800.00

NC Foundation of Christian Ministries - \$ 1200.00

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**FWB SS Ministry Scholarship - \$300.00**

Endowment for Ministerial Students	\$2,000.00
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<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>\$8,848.83</b>
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Total in Checking account as of October 30, 2009	\$2,353.18
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Beginning balance of Money Market 10-31-08	\$15,555.40
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Interest 11/30/08 – 9/30/09	\$262.11
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CD Transfer	\$41,916.13
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Total Money Market	\$57,733.64
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## Disbursements

Harris, Creech, Ward & Blackerby	\$2,769.30
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## Leon Harris Lawsuit

Money Market in RBC	\$54,964.34
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Central Conference Endowment Fund	\$60,000.00
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(See minutes from Central Conference 11-09-01, Mission Board & Executive Committee Proposal)

Maury Endowment Fund (For Annual Training Conference)	\$7,500.00
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(Please see Minutes of Executive Committee September 22, 1988)

TOTAL OF ALL MONIES	\$124,817.52
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## Report of the Church Growth Committee

The Central Conference Church Growth and Evangelism Committee approved the following requests during the past year:

Saratoga OFWB Church requested \$500 to help with an evangelism project through Student Life held July 13-17, 2009. This event not only taught junior and senior high students about evangelism, it also provided them with the opportunity to minister to senior citizens, those with disabilities, and children. Exposure to such an experience offered Saratoga's youth the tools needed to come back to their own community and reach out to others.

Friendship OFWB Church requested \$500 to help with their trip to Winter Xtreme, December 27-29, 2009. Winter Xtreme is an evangelism conference that helps challenge

youth in their daily walk with the Lord and offers youth the necessary tools for sharing their faith without fear. The conference includes many speakers who help youth stand on their convictions and profess Christ among other young people.

Submitted by:

The Reverend Kelley Smart, Chairman

The Reverend Johnny Sullivan

The Reverend Todd Sutton

The Reverend Jack Weathersby

### **Report of the Continuing Education Committee**

Many ministers are pursuing additional educational opportunities on a regular basis. Perhaps you have attended a seminar or read a book or completed a college or seminary course. We applaud you in this endeavor. We also want to reward you and give you credit for your diligence in continuing your education and training. To receive credit from the Central Conference, simply complete a Continuing Education Report Form and write a 150 word summary about the seminar, book read, or course completed and send it to one of the Continuing Education committee members. More information for submitting requests for Continuing Education Credit is outlined in the "Procedures" section below.

### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Central Conference Continuing Education Program is to help our ministers with the practice of life-long learning. By continuing their education Central Conference ordained ministers will continue to grow in their spiritual walk with Christ as they grow they will be better equipped to serve the churches of the Central Conference. As the leadership of the churches grow the church itself will grow, therefore the growth and continuing education of the ministers is vital to the growth of the church. It is imperative that the ministers of the Central Conference follow the advice given to Timothy by Paul when he said, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

### **Guidelines**

Continuing Education Units (CEU's) will be based on educational opportunities. These would include reading a book, attending a seminar or class, or taking a college or seminary course.

### **Continuing Education Units/Credits**

CEU credits will be given according to the following scale:

Books: up to 200 pages-½ CEU; 200-400 pages-1 CEU. Books over 400 pages will be considered on an individual basis.

Seminars: 3-5 hour seminar-½ CEU; 6-10 hour seminar-1 CEU. Seminar over ten hours will be considered on an individual basis.

College or Seminary Course: If the class is taken from an accredited institution (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools or Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada), one will receive 4 CEUs for each credit hour. Credit hours equal one hour per week in class for sixteen weeks. If you take a 3 credit hour course, you will



receive 12 CEU's. If the course is taken from an institution that is not accredited by SACS or ATS, it will be considered on an individual basis.

### **Areas of Study**

**Biblical Studies:** This includes any area of study from the Bible such as books of the Bible, themes, authors, or historical information from the Bible.

**Historical Studies:** This includes History of the Christian Church, Free Will Baptist Denomination, or Local Churches.

**Theological Studies:** This includes areas of studies from the following: Prolegomena, Bibliology, Theology Proper, Christology, Pneumatology, Angelology, Anthropology, Soteriology, Ecclesiology, Eschatology, etc.

**Practical Studies:** This includes area of studies concerning the working and growth of the local church, pastoral care, counseling, leadership, administration, evangelism, preaching and worship.

**Spiritual Formation Studies:** This includes area of studies concerning maturity of Christians.

### **Procedures**

To receive continuing education credits, work should be submitted to the Continuing Education Committee. Simply write a 150 word summary and application of the seminar, book read, or college or seminary course completed and attach it to the Continuing Education Report Form. The report form is available at the annual conference or can be requested from a committee member or you can simply create your own report form by including the following. For a seminar, include the title of the seminar, sponsoring organization, presenter's name, and length of seminar. For a book you have read, include the title of the book, author, publisher, and date the book was read. For a college or seminary course, include the name of the course, name of the college or seminary, professor's name, and a copy of the syllabus. The committee will review all work and will send notification to the one who submitted the work and also the Board of Ordination.

Respectfully submitted,

Reverends Barry Williamson and Bryant Hines, and Doug Tyson

### **Report of the Nominating Committee**

<b><u>Board of Ordination</u></b>	The Rev. Ronnie V. Hobgood (2014)
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<b><u>Board of Trustees</u></b>	Mr. Jay Tripp (2012)
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<b><u>Credentials Committee</u></b>	The Rev. Frank Cockrell (2012)
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<b><u>Memorial Committee</u></b>	The Rev. Ray Williamson (2012)
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<b><u>Continuing Education Committee</u></b>	The Rev. Brad Williamson (2012)
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<b><u>Church Growth Committee</u></b>	The Rev. Todd Sutton (2012)
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Rev. Leon Grubbs, Chairman  
Rev. Bobby Taylor  
Rev. Ronnie V. Hobgood

**Report of the Resolution Committee**

We, the resolution committee, submit the following resolutions for your consideration:

1. Be it resolved that the 261<sup>st</sup> Annual Session of the Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptists give a rising vote of thanks to the King's Cross Roads FWB Church of Fountain, North Carolina for extending its hospitality and kindness to the ministers, delegates and visitors of said conference. [*Passed*]
2. Be it resolved that we give the Executive Committee a rising vote of appreciation for their diligent work during the past year. [*Passed*]
3. Be it resolved that we strongly urge everyone to continue to lift up in prayer the work of our denomination, prayer for continual spiritual growth in our churches, families, our nation and its leaders. [*Passed*]
4. Be it resolved that we give a rising show of appreciation to the Reverend Jack Weathersby for the message he delivered this morning, and request his message be submitted for publication in *The Free Will Baptist*, and that we as churches of the Central Conference of Original Free Will Baptist and as individual believers recommit ourselves to the priority of, "The Message" in ministry and witness to be not hearers only, but doers of the word. [*Passed*]

Respectfully submitted,  
The Reverend Brad Williamson, Chairman  
The Reverend Doug Skinner  
The Reverend Ray Williamson

**Miscellaneous Business:**

The Reverend Todd Sutton gave a report from the Youth Ministries.

**Roll Call of Churches**

Central

CHURCH	LETTER	DELEGATES	CONTRIBUTION
Aspen Grove			Yes
Ayden	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bethany	Yes	Yes	Yes
Black Jack	Yes	Yes	Yes
Community	Yes		Yes
Daniel's Chapel	Yes	Yes	Yes
Dilda's Grove	Yes	Yes	Yes
Edgewood	Yes	Yes	Yes
Elm Grove	Yes	Yes	Yes
Free Union	Yes	Yes	Yes
Friendship	Yes	Yes	Yes
Greenville, First	Yes	Yes	Yes
Grimsely			Yes
Gum Swamp	Yes		Yes
Harrell's Chapel	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hickory Grove	Yes		Yes
Hillside	Yes		Yes
Howell Swamp	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hugo	Yes		Yes
Hull Road		Yes	Yes
King's Cross Roads	Yes	Yes	Yes
La Grange, First	Yes	Yes	Yes
Little Creek	Yes		Yes
Marlboro	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ormondsville	Yes	Yes	Yes
Otter's Creek	Yes	Yes	Yes
Owens Chapel	Yes		Yes
Peace	Yes	Yes	Yes
Piney Grove (Beaufort Co.)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Piney Grove (Pitt Co.)			
Pleasant Hill	Yes	Yes	Yes
Reedy Branch	Yes	Yes	Yes
Rocky Mount, First	Yes		Yes
Rose Hill		Yes	Yes
Rose of Sharon	Yes	Yes	Yes
Saint's Delight	Yes		Yes
Saratoga			
Spring Branch	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sweet Gum Grove			
Tarboro, First	Yes	Yes	Yes
Walnut Creek	Yes		Yes
Watery Branch	Yes		Yes
Williamston, First	Yes	Yes	Yes
Winterville	Yes		Yes

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Roll of Central Conference Ministers by Seniority

<b>ORDAINED MINISTERS</b>	<b>Ordained</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>
J.B. Narron	10/13/50	Retired	Retired P	Retired L
Michael Pelt	09/30/50	Retired P	Retired P	Retired P
Willis Wilson	12/28/54	Retired P	Retired P	Retired P
C.H. Overman	08/30/52	P	Retired P	Retired E
Stewart Humphrey	11/10/66	L	L	P
Charles Branch	01/05/69	P	P	P
Bruce Jones	09/05/71	E	P	P
Gary Bailey	07/12/72	P	P	L
Walter Reynolds	07/30/49	Retired P	Retired P	Retired L
Tom Miller	07/02/67	P	L	A
Bobby Taylor	11/02/73	P	P	P
Leon Grubbs	09/05/68	P	A	P
Ronnie Hobgood	08/13/78	P	P	P
Melvin Moore	12/31/59	L	P	L
Earl Glenn	11/02/49	Retired	Retired P	Retired L
Harry Grubbs	02/24/67	P	L	P
Frank Flowers	06/02/72	Retired P	Retired P	Retired E
Clifford Ball	08/20/81	P	L	P
Ray Williamson	05/11/77	P	A	P
Mark Hobbs	11/20/80	P	P	P
Ronald Braxton	02/03/83	L	P	L
Donald Ribeiro	10/27/83	A	P	P
Stanley Buck	09/17/76	P	P	P
David Langley	10/05/87	L	P	P
Philip Wood	05/12/79	P	P	P
Norwood Futrell	09/20/51	Retired	Retired	Retired
Thomas Bowen	11/25/90	P	P	P
Harry Jones, Jr.	10/27/91	A	A	Retired
Larry Letchworth	08/23/92	P	P	L
Carroll Bradbury	08/23/92	P	E	P
Walt Tyndall	08/08/93	E	L	P
Jack Weathersby	02/27/94	P	P	P
Joey Williams	01/15/95	P	P	L
Mark Hogan	09/06/86	A	A	A
Frankie Baggett	10/22/87	P	P	P
Grady Tucker	12/06/78	P	Retired P	Retired P
Brad Williamson	06/28/98	L	P	P
John Robert Harris	08/27/95	P	P	A
Edward Thornton	03/10/81	P	P	P
Tony Glass	03/28/99	E	P	P
Frank Cockrell	11/07/99	P	P	E



Central

Johnny Sullivan	05/21/00	L	P	P
Kevin Jackson	12/26/82	P	P	P
Barry Williamson	09/17/00	P	P	L
Todd Sutton	02/11/96	L	L	P
John Simpson	04/29/01	A	Retired	Retired
Doug Owens	05/06/01	P	P	P
Roger Haithcock	08/26/01	E	P	P
Phillip Boykin	12/07/80	P	P	P
Charlie Carroll	07/10/94	A	L	E
Tony Parrish	11/09/88	P	P	P
Jacky Raper	06/08/88	P	P	L
Alan Joyner	02/08/04	P	P	P
James Owens	11/10/82	E	E	E
Greg Mills	12/28/83	L	L	A
Charles Russell	11/21/04	P	P	P
Kelley Smart	02/27/05	L	L	L
Michael Rowell	05/15/05	L	P	L
Charles Sutton	08/14/05	P	P	P
Doug Tyson	10/16/05	P	L	L
Alvin Keener		E	P	P
Marc Boswell	1/08/06	L	L	L
Arnold Price	69	P	P	P
Bryant Hines	06/07/79	E	P	P
Ronnie Mohn	3/80	E	P	P
Doug Skinner	07/02/72	E	P	E
Glenn Batten	10/25/08		P	P

LICENSED MINISTERS	Licensed	2007	2008	2009
Carlton Oakley	07/28/05	L	P	P
Matt Stocks	11/11/05	A	A	E
Brian Perry	07/10/06	L	A	A
James Wiggins	08/14/06	E	E	P
Dustin Bannister	11/09/06	L	E	P
Shannon Rodgers	11/09/06	L	P	A
Spencer Owens	4/24/07	A	L	P
Andy Sugg	10/16/07	E	P	P
Keith Phillips	10/17/07	P	P	E
Greg Barnes	1/08/08		L	A
Joshua Hobgood	7/08/08		P	P

P - Present  
L - Letter

E - Excused  
A - Absent



**MINUTES  
of the  
ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION  
of the  
EASTERN CONFERENCE  
of the  
CONVENTION OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

**Convened with  
Soundview OFWB Church  
Newport, North Carolina  
October 24, 2009**

**Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees  
As Elected at the 2009 Session**

**Officers of the Conference**

*Moderator:* The Reverend Ronnie Taylor  
*Assistant Moderator:* The Reverend John Mark Windley  
*Clerk:* Mrs. Laura Monroe  
*Treasurer:* Mr. Bill Cook  
*Member at Large:* The Reverend James Gurganus

**Executive Committee**

The Reverend Ronnie Taylor (2010) Mr. Bill Cook (2010)  
The Reverend James Gurganus (2010) Mrs. Laura Monroe (2011)  
The Reverend John Mark Windley (2011)

**Ministerial Examining Board**

The Reverend Mike Scott (2010) The Reverend Adrian Grubbs (2011)  
The Reverend David C. Hansley (2012) The Reverend Tim Heath (2013)  
The Reverend Ronnie Parker (2014)

**Board of Trustees**

Mr. Carroll Hawkins (2010) The Reverend Mike Barnhill (2011)  
The Reverend Jimmy Sowers (2012)

**Digest Committee**

Mrs. Nancy Cook (2010) The Reverend Josh Whitfield (2011)  
The Reverend Ashley Trogon (2012)

**Memorial Committee**

The Reverend Ronnie Parker (2010) The Reverend Mitchell Parker (2011)  
The Reverend Earl Sadler (2012)

**Credentials Committee**

The Reverend Terry Coates (2010) The Reverend Mickey Whitfield (2011)  
The Reverend Wesley Taylor (2012)

### **Board of Directors of Camp Vandemere**

Mr. Victor Jones (2010)	Eastern Conference 3 <sup>rd</sup> Union
Ms. Audrey Quinn (2010)	Eastern Conference 5 <sup>th</sup> Union
Mr. Kenneth Hill (2010)	Eastern Conference 5 <sup>th</sup> Union
Ms. Lorraine Garner (2011)	Eastern Conference Carteret Union
The Reverend J. R. Clark (2011)	Eastern Conference Carteret Union
Mr. Ricky Price (2011)	Western Conference
Ms. Janet Jones (2011)	Eastern Conference 3 <sup>rd</sup> Union
Ms. Angie Toler (2012)	Eastern Conference 5 <sup>th</sup> Union
The Reverend Tim Lawrence (2012)	Eastern Conference Carteret Union
Mr. Steve Garner (2012)	Eastern Conference Carteret Union
Ms. Faye Bryant (2013)	Pee Dee Association
The Reverend Ashley Summerlin (2013)	Eastern Conference 3 <sup>rd</sup> Union
Mr. Keith Cowell (2014)	Eastern Conference 5 <sup>th</sup> Union
Ms. Julie Radford (2014)	Eastern Conference 3 <sup>rd</sup> Union
Mr. Mike Littleton (2014)	Western Conference

### **Representative to the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation**

Mr. Roy Wetherington (2010)

### **Morning Session**

The 114<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the Eastern Conference was called to order by Mrs. Laura Monroe, Clerk.

The Reverend Earl Thigpen led the congregation in the singing of the hymn "I Sing the Wondrous Story" with Mrs. Gail Heath as pianist.

The Reverend Tommy Yopp led in prayer and devotion.

The welcome was offered by the Reverend Grady Simpson.

A response was offered by the Reverend Ray Lewis.

The moderator recognized Visitors, Union Moderators, and Licensed Ministers.

The Moderator appointed and recognized persons to serve on the Resolutions Committee and as Parliamentarians.

The Moderator presented the Conference Address. Scripture: John 14:12, Luke 19:10 were used to address the topic, "Greater Works."

By motion to adopt the report of the Credentials Committee. (see reports)

By motion to adopt the report of the Treasurer. (see reports)

By motion to adopt the report as amended of the Executive Committee. (see reports)

By motion to remove MAP from minutes and send back to Executive Committee for further investigation.

By motion to adopt the report of the Ministerial Examining Board. (see report)

The Reverends John Carawan, Duane Haddock, and Ray Lewis were extended the right hand of fellowship and welcomed into the Eastern Conference.

By motion to accept the report of the Nominating Committee. (see reports)

The floor was open for other nominations. By motion for nominations to cease and to elect the nominees by acclamation.

By motion to adopt the report of the Digest Committee. (see reports)

Report from the Woman's Auxiliary was received as information.

Mr. Rick Price gave an update on Camp Vandemere.

The Reverend Buddy Sasser, Director of Convention Services, was recognized and he called the representatives from the Denominational Ministries to give their reports. The Ministries reporting were: Sunday School Ministry, Foreign Missions, FWB Press

Foundation, Children's Home, Mount Olive College, Cragmont, Retirement Homes Minister's Program, Church Finance and Home Missions.

The Reverend Ronnie Taylor, Moderator, and the Reverend David Hansley made presentation to the Reverend Walter Sutton for his many years of service to the denomination. He was presented with a plaque indicating that his name had been placed on the Wall of Honor at Free Will Baptist Headquarters in Ayden, NC.

The Morning Worship service opened with Mrs. Gail Heath as pianist and Mr. Earl Thigpen as song leader, leading the congregation in singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" and an offering being taken. The Reverends Grady Simpson and Earl Sadler served as ushers and the Reverend Sadler asked God's blessings on the offering. Volunteers were asked to come forward and sing the hymn "Til the Storm Passes By." The Reverend Jay Winberry delivered a message titled "Serving God with Earnestness." A closing/invitation hymn, "Trust and Obey" was sung and the dismissal prayer for the morning session and the blessing of the meal was led by the Reverend John Mark Windley.

### Afternoon Session

The Afternoon Session opened with Mr. Earl Thigpen leading the congregation in singing, "Victory in Jesus".

Mr. Michael Wheeler read scripture from 1 Peter 4:12-19 and led in prayer.

The Memorial Committee conducted a service remembering those who have gone to be with the Lord since the last seating of the Conference. The Reverend Mitchell Parker announced the names of the members (TO Terry and Charles Hardison) who have gone to be with the Lord since last year. The Reverend John Carawan spoke about the Reverend T.O. Terry. The Reverend Walter Sutton led in prayer.

By motion to adopt the report of the Memorial Committee.

Mr. Roy Wetherington reported on the work of Harvest Connection Disaster Relief Ministry. The report was received as information. He also reported on the Convention Layman's League and Joshua's Call to be held at Everett's Chapel on October 24, 2009.

The Reverend Tim Heath gave a report from the Convention Executive Committee encouraging churches to add the convention to their annual budget.

By proper motion to extend right hand of fellowship to the Reverend Josh Whitfield and welcome into the Eastern Conference.

Dr. W. Burkette Raper gave a report on the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries. The report was received as information (attached).

Report of the Resolutions Committee:

Resolution number one: Be it resolved that the Eastern Conference give \$1,200 per year in annual support to the NC Foundation for Christian Ministries commensurate unto our abilities to do so as determined by the annual Financial Report. By motion to adopt this resolution.

Resolution number two: Be it resolved that Original Free Will Baptists of the Eastern Conference believe that marriage is a holy and blessed institution between a man and a woman. Therefore we believe that homosexuality is a sin and abomination. We hereby declare that no homosexual will be admitted into the ministry program of the Eastern Conference and neither be an ordained minister of the Eastern Conference. By motion to adopt this resolution.

Resolution number three: Be it resolved that the Eastern Conference does not endorse the book titled "Systematic Theology for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century" and that all Eastern

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Conference churches be so notified. By proper motion to postpone action on Resolution number three until the next session of the Eastern Conference.

Resolution number four: Be it resolved that the Eastern Conference give thanks and applause to Soundview OFWB Church for hosting this seating of the Eastern Conference. By motion to adopt this resolution.

The floor was opened for business.

By motion for all unfinished business to be placed in the hands of the Executive Committee and that we adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,  
The Reverend Ronnie Taylor, Moderator  
Mrs. Laura Monroe, Clerk

### Conference Reports

#### **Select Committees**

Resolutions:	The Reverends J.R. Clark, Earl Sadler and David Smith
Nominating:	The Reverend Neal Cox, Mrs. Gail Heath and Mrs. Wanda Taylor
Parliamentarians:	The Reverends Adrian Grubbs and Buddy Sasser

#### **Report of the Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee of the Eastern Conference of OFWB met seven times since the last seating of the Conference. The following motions were presented and adopted and the following business was attended too:

**November 10, 2008.** The Executive Committee met in session at the headquarters in Kinston, NC.

By proper motion the minutes from the October 23, 2008 Annual Conference were adopted as presented.

Victor Jones, Chairman of Camp Vandemere Board met with the Executive Committee.

By proper motion the Eastern Conference will contribute \$500.00 to the Convention for the remodeling of Andrea Cox's workspace.

John Toler, Keith Cowell, and Jasper Voliva from Mt. Zion OFWB Church of Pamlico County met with the Executive Committee. Much discussion on the concerns of the congregation drifting from the Articles of Faith and minister's resignation. A copy of comments from the congregation was given to Moderator Ronnie Taylor. The Executive Committee will wait to hear from the Deacons if the church would like for the Executive Committee to meet with the congregation and discuss the issues.

Much discussion was held of the request of Dr. Burkette Raper to meet about the MAP Program and the Foundation for Christian Ministries. The Executive Committee will honor his request after the first of the year.



Moderator Ronnie Taylor will work on getting the past minutes to Gary Barefoot at Mount Olive College for the Heritage Collection.

Treasurer Bill Cook gave the Treasurer's Report.

By proper motion that the Executive Committee send a letter to the Board of Trustees of Mount Olive College to request that they consider hiring an Original Free Will Baptist as President of Mount Olive College.

By proper motion to adjourn.

Members present: The Reverend Ronnie Taylor, Moderator; Mr. Bill Cook, Treasurer; The Reverend James Gurganus; The Reverend John Mark Windley; Mrs. Laura Monroe, Clerk

**December 11, 2008.** The Executive Committee met in session at Mt. Zion OFWB Church Pamlico County.

Moderator Ronnie Taylor read scripture from 1 Timothy to open the meeting. He explained that it is not the responsibility of the Executive Committee to tell the church what to do. Several members of the church were present to discuss the situation at the church. Moderator explained that the pastor's role is an ex-officio member of all committees as stated on page 91 of the Articles of Faith. He also talked about communication being of the greatest need of any organization.

Examining Board Member Francis Garner read the responsibilities of the pastor from the Articles of Faith. Deacon training was suggested for the whole church.

By proper motion to adjourn.

Members present: The Reverend Ronnie Taylor, Moderator; The Reverend James Gurganus; Mrs. Laura Monroe, Clerk; The Reverend Francis Garner, Examining Board

**March 18, 2009.** The Executive Committee met with the Examining Board at the Eastern Conference Office in Kinston for the purpose of discussing the Ministry Assistance Partnership (MAP).

The Reverend John Mark Windley opened with prayer.

A discussion was held on the selection for the Wall of Honor recipient. The Reverend Walter Sutton was nominated. Discussion was held that it could be someone who has deceased. Continue thinking of a recipient.

An application is needed for MAP. The Reverends John Mark Windley and Adrian Grubbs were appointed to begin work on the application and guidelines for MAP. We will use the interest off \$50,000 of the Wilmington Endowment to fund MAP. The Eastern Conference will handle the funds and others may make donations to that endowment. The Examining Board will handle the applicants. \$5,000 of the principle of the endowment will be used as start-up money.



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By proper motion to solicit churches for funds for MAP in honor of WH Willis' 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. A letter will be sent to all clerks of the Eastern Conference on this matter.

Joint session closed with prayer by the Reverend Tim Heath.

Members present: The Reverend Ronnie Taylor, Moderator; The Reverend James Gurganus; Mrs. Laura Monroe, Clerk; Mr. Bill Cook, Treasurer, The Reverend John Mark Windley; The Reverend David C. Hansley, The Reverend Tim Heath, The Reverend Adrian Grubbs, The Reverend Mike Scott, The Reverend Francis Garner.

**3:45 p.m.** The Eastern Conference Executive Committee met in the Eastern Conference Office in Kinston.

Moderator Ronnie Taylor opened by reading Psalm 50.

By proper motion the minutes from the November 10, 2008 were adopted with the correction that the Reverend John Mark Windley left the meeting while the Executive Committee met with the deacons of Mount Zion OFWB Church. Minutes approved as corrected.

By proper motion the Treasurer's report was approved as read.

A request was made from Croatan OFWB Church to remove the Eastern Conference from their deed. It is not in our power to comply.

Smyrna OFWB Church has requested to host the Annual Conference October 25, 2012. Approved.

Faith OFWB Church in Leland is still behind in their payments to Church Finance. The Eastern Conference has received a statement from Church Finance for \$1,000.00. The Executive Committee will request the treasurer of the church to send their payments to the Eastern Conference when possible. Moderator Ronnie Taylor will contact Jerry Sizemore to set up a date and time (possibly April 2, 2009) for the Executive Committee to meet with the church.

Meeting adjourned with prayer.

**April 2, 2009.** The Executive Committee met in session at Faith OFWB Church, Leland.

Moderator Ronnie Taylor opened with prayer.

Financial situation is worsening. Pastor has had no salary. Ms. Ammons paid \$100 out of her pocket for the gas bill for the church. It took four weeks offering to pay the insurance for the building.

Average offering is \$80-90 a week. Average attendance is 20. The treasurer showed the executive committee the bills that are due now, such as gas, water/sewer and electric totaling \$787 past due.

The members have a "Day of Celebration" planned for June 6<sup>th</sup> to rouse interest in the church. A yard sale is planned for the weekend after Easter.

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The executive committee explained to the church members and pastor who were present about the Harvest Covenant Program through Home Missions and Evangelism. The members expressed interest in this program.

The Eastern Conference paid the \$787 past due bills and the past due to Church Finance on the loan.

A decision needs to be made about the church situation in the next 30 days.  
Meeting adjourned with prayer by the Reverend John Mark Windley.

**July 14, 2009.** The Executive Committee met in session at the Eastern Conference Office in Kinston.

Moderator Ronnie Taylor opened with prayer and scripture from Mark 9.

By proper motion the minutes of the April 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting were adopted.

The Reverend David Hansley, Executive Director of Home Missions and Evangelism was asked to join the meeting to discuss the situation at Faith OFWB Church in Leland. The Executive Committee asked Reverend Hansley to call the Reverend Jerry Sizemore and discuss the Harvest Covenant Program for Faith Church. Note: James Gurganus to go with David Hansley to represent the Executive Committee.

**Old Business** - A copy of the Foundation Application from Dr. Raper was sent to John Mark Windley.

### New Business

A discussion was held to ask Neal Cox, Mitchell Parker, Gail Heath, and Wanda Taylor to serve on the Nominating Committee.

The Reverend Jay Winberry will be asked to give the message at the 2009 Eastern Conference.

The Reverend Walter Sutton will be the honoree this year for the Wall of Honor. Reverend Sutton's family will be invited to attend the conference.

By proper motion to replace Ricky Price's unexpired term on the Vandemere Board with Michael Arthur.

By proper motion to purchase a new laptop for the Examining Board.

A discussion was held about sending out conference letters by September 1, 2009.

By proper motion the Treasurer's report was adopted as presented.

Meeting adjourned with prayer by the Reverend James Gurganus.

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Members present: The Reverend James Gurganus; The Reverend Ronnie Taylor, Moderator; Mr. Bill Cook, Treasurer; Mrs. Laura Monroe, Clerk

**August 24, 2009.** The Executive Committee met in session at the headquarters in Kinston, NC.

Moderator Ronnie Taylor opened with prayer and scripture from Psalm 45.

By proper motion the minutes of the July 14<sup>th</sup> meeting were adopted.

A discussion was held about the MAP Program. Further investigation is needed to implement.

We are waiting to hear from the Reverend David C. Hansley on what to do about Faith OFWB Church in Leland. James Gurganus is to meet with him soon to discuss options.

By proper motion to recommend \$25.00 ordained minister and licensed minister fee and \$10.00 delegate fee for the Annual Conference.

By proper motion to accept the withdrawal from the Eastern Conference of Angola Church and Verona Church.

By proper motion the Treasurer's report was adopted as presented.

Meeting adjourned with prayer.

Members present: The Reverend James Gurganus; The Reverend Ronnie Taylor, Moderator; Mr. Bill Cook, Treasurer; The Reverend John Mark Windley

**October 6, 2009.** The Executive Committee met in session at the headquarters in Kinston, NC.

Moderator Ronnie Taylor opened with prayer and scripture from Isaiah 4:31.

By proper motion the minutes of the August 24<sup>th</sup> meeting were adopted.

By proper motion the Treasurer's Report was adopted as presented.

The Nominating Committee met with the Executive Committee briefly. The Reverend Neal Cox, Mrs. Gail Heath, and Mrs. Wanda Taylor received recommendations from the Executive Committee.

The Reverend James Gurganus and the Reverend David Hansley met the congregation of Faith OFWB Church in Leland. The Harvest Covenant Program was presented. The church will be under Phase III of the Harvest Covenant Program through Home Mission or the church will close. All members and the Pastor signed the Adherent Pledge. Since then, the Reverend Jerry Sizemore sent a letter resigning from the church.

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By proper motion the contributions from ordination services offerings will be utilized by the Eastern Conference to assist Eastern Conference ministerial students.

By proper motion \$500 be sent to the North Carolina Foundation for Christian Ministries to be used for Eastern Conference Ministerial students.

Meeting adjourned with prayer.

Members present: The Reverend James Gurganus; The Reverend Ronnie Taylor, Moderator; Mr. Bill Cook, Treasurer; The Reverend John Mark Windley, Asst. Moderator; Mrs. Laura Monroe, Clerk

Respectfully submitted,  
The Reverend Ronnie Taylor, Moderator  
Mrs. Laura Monroe, Clerk

### **Report of the Ministerial Examining Board**

The Eastern Conference Examining Board met ten (10) times since the last annual session of the Conference. We submit the following report:

#### **MINISTERS ORDAINED**

John Carawan	Dublin Grove OFWB Church
Duane Haddock	Jackson Heights OFWB Church
Ray Lewis	Antioch OFWB Church
Josh Whitfield	Rooty Branch OFWB Church
Michael Bryan (Transfer)	First OFWB Church (Greenville)

#### **APPROVED FOR LICENSE**

Crandall Fountain	Bethlehem OFWB Church
Scott Broadway	Indian Springs OFWB Church

#### **LICENSES RENEWED**

Michael Wheeler	Sandy Plain OFWB Church
Bob Smith	British Chapel OFWB Church
Angela Mattox	St. Mary's OFWB Church
Nick Lewis	Antioch OFWB Church

#### **APPROVED FOR WORK IN THE EASTERN CONFERENCE**

Ronnie Aycock	Arapahoe OFWB Church
Jerry Campbell	

#### **CERTIFICATE OF ENDORSEMENT ISSUED TO**

Robert Fraley	Otway OFWB Church
John Butler	First OFWB Church (Kinston)

Recommendations to the Conference:

1. That the Reverends John Carawan, Duane Haddock, Ray Lewis, Michael Bryan, and Josh Whitfield be extended the Right Hand of Fellowship by the Moderator

and their names added to the list of duly ordained ministers of the Eastern Conference.

2. That the name of Crandall Fountain be added to the list of licensed ministers by the Conference Clerk.
3. That our ministers, licensed and ordained, continue to abide by our Ministerial Code of Ethics.
4. That this report be properly received and its recommendations duly adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

David Hansley, Chair

Tim Heath, Secretary

Francis Garner

Mike Scott

Adrian Grubbs

## FOR GENERAL INFORMATION

A reminder to all licensed and transferring ministers as per vote of the Eastern Conference the Examining Board will be conducting the annual Eastern Conference Basic Education Seminar on February 20-26 at Cragmont Assembly.

Churches are reminded that they are to call pastors from the list of duly ordained OFWB ministers. Those ministers who are members of sister conferences must be cleared by the Eastern Conference Examining Board **before** extended a call by the local congregation.

**All ministers licensed after October 19, 2001 are reminded of the requirement to attend at least one continuing education workshop/seminar (such as those provided by the Sunday School Board) each year they are licensed.**

The Ministerial Examining Board meets at the Conference Office in Kinston (The Harvest Connection Disaster Relief Building) on the Monday following the second Sunday in the months of November, January, March, July, and September. These dates are subject to change. Individuals with business to be brought to the Board are requested to contact the secretary so that a time may be scheduled.

## LICENSED MINISTERS OF THE EASTERN CONFERENCE as of October 22, 2009

Lewis, Nick,	Smith, Bob	Coates, Kelvin
Wheeler, Michael	Mattox, Angela	Fountain, Crandall
Broadway, Scott		

## Report of the Credentials Committee

Ordained Ministers in attendance.....	61
Licensed Ministers in attendance.....	5
Visiting Ministers in Attendance.....	4
Delegates in attendance.....	38
Visitors in attendance.....	<u>25</u>
<b>Total Attendance.....</b>	<b>133</b>

Respectfully Submitted,

The Reverend Michael Ledbetter, Chairperson



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The Reverend Terry Coates  
The Reverend Mickey Whitfield

**Report of the Digest Committee**

Number of Churches in Conference.....	72
Number Reporting.....	53
Contributions to the Conference.....	\$3,652.00
Church Members	
Active.....	4210
Inactive.....	3359
Total.....	7569
Members Received	
By Baptism.....	128
By Letter.....	80
Other.....	1
Members Lost	
By Death.....	79
By Letter.....	4
Other.....	0
Net Change.....	+126
Sunday School Members.....	2689
Woman's Auxiliary Members.....	625
Layman's League.....	299
Youth Membership.....	489

Respectfully Submitted,  
The Reverend Ashley Trogdon, Chair  
Mrs. Nancy Cook  
The Reverend Josh Whitfield

**Eastern Conference Treasurer's Report  
July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009**

Balance as of July 1, 2008.....\$ 18,338.55

Receipts

Eastern Conference Offering Received and Registration Fees.....	\$ 7,152.05
Offering received at Eastern Conference.....	\$ 497.00
Offering received from Ordination for Butch Haddock, Ronnie Taylor, Josh Whitfield, Ray Lewis.....	\$ 1,068.76
Interest received from Wilmington Endowment and Eastern Conference Endowment.....	\$ 4,439.79
Church payment from Faith OFWB Church, Leland.....	\$ 350.00
Donation to Cragmont New Heights Campaign.....	\$ <u>550.00</u>
Total of Receipts.....	\$ 14,099.00
Total to account for.....	<u>\$ 32,437.55</u>

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### Disbursements

Administrative Expenses – Executive and Examining Board.....	\$ 5,230.80
Interest from Eastern Conference Endowment and Wilmington.....	\$ 3,171.82
Endowment for 2007/2008 divided with Denominational Ministries	
Donations to Cragmont New Heights Campaign.....	\$ 6,950.00
Collection from Eastern Conference to Harvest Connection .....	\$ 497.00
Donation for furniture at Convention of OFWB .....	\$ 500.00
For Faith OFWB, Leland (payments, insurance, utilities) .....	\$ 2,563.77
Mileage for Eastern Conference Committee & Examining Board ...	\$ <u>870.25</u>
Total of Disbursement.....	\$ 19,783.64
Balance as of June 30, 2009.....	\$ <u>12,653.91</u>
Total.....	\$ <u>32,437.55</u>

### Endowment and CD Report as Of June 30, 2009

CD.....	\$ 20,725.48
Wilmington Endowment.....	\$127,236.06
Eastern Conference.....	\$ 21,121.73

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mr. Bill Cook, Treasurer

### Report of the Nominating Committee

Executive Committee: The Reverend John Mark Windley, Asst. Moderator (2011)  
Mrs. Laura Monroe, Clerk (2011)

Ministerial Examining Board:.....The Reverend Ronnie Parker (2014)

Board of Trustees:.....The Reverend Jimmy Sowers (2012)

Digest Committee:.....The Reverend Ashley Trogon (2012)

Memorial Committee:.....The Reverend Earl Sadler (2012)

Credentials Committee:.....The Reverend Wesley Taylor (2012)

Board of Directors of Camp Vandemere:.....Mr. Steve Garner (2012)  
[To fill the unexpired term of Tim Lawrence]

Mr. Keith Cowell (2014)

Ms. Julie Radford (2014)

Mr. Mike Littleton (2014)

Representative to the Press Foundation: .....Mr. Roy Wetherington (2010)

The Reverend Neal Cox, Chairperson  
Mrs. Gail Heath  
Mrs. Wanda Taylor

Camp Vandemere, Inc.  
"O Send Out Thy Light and Thy Truth", Psalm 43:3a

The year 2009 has been a "Blessed" year for Camp Vandemere. Churches, Groups, Individuals, Camp Weeks and Weekend Retreats have all brought bountiful supply to the camp in the form of finances, prayer, labor and attendance.

First off, Seventy-Two (72) souls were added to His Kingdom during the year of ministry at the camp. "TO GOD BE THE GLORY". Many projects were completed and others still in process due to the ever present giving of His people. One major project nearing completion is the replacing of the roofs on the Dining/Kitchen and Dorm buildings. All project materials have been purchased and labor supplied without having to borrow any money. "GOD IS GOOD ALL THE TIME".

The Board of Camp Vandemere voted to create a new position at the camp this year. No longer will the person in charge of managing the camp be titled Camp Manager, but will be positioned as Executive Director. This will benefit directly to the Organizational Structure of responsibility in carrying out the camp's operations.

Your prayers and support have been wonderful this year and the board and Executive Director, Rick Price, want to thank you for all your interest in God's ministry at the camp. If not for you, the camp would not be able to continue the work that is at hand.

Camp Vandemere, Inc.  
215 Third Street  
Vandemere, NC 28587

252-745-3171 camp phone number  
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### Camp Vandemere Financial Report

Ending Cash balance – 12/31/09

First Citizens	3,785.54
Church Finance	
Disaster Fund	9,950.86
Church Finance	
Endowment	<u>4,801.09</u>
Total Cash in Ckg/Svg	<u>18,537.49</u>
Checking Balance	3,785.54
Restricted/Concrete	320.00
Restricted/Mattresses	600.00
Restricted/Fencing	<u>450.00</u>

Available to spend 12/31/09 2,415.54

**Roll of Eastern Conference Ministers (Listed Alphabetically)**

<b>Ordained Minister</b>	<b>Ordination Date</b>
Albertson, Dale	1977
Ard, Joe	10/23/86
Arthur, Owen	04/30/63
Aycock, Ronnie	
Barnhill, Mike	06/02/02
Bennett, McDonal	
Bryan, A.B	10/20/45
Bryan, Harry	1978
Bryan, Michael	07/98
Cannon, Joel	10/19/89
Carawan, John	08/15/09
Caton, Jesse	
Chase, Gurney	
Clark, James R.	01/07
Coates, Terry	08/07
Coombs, Michael	02/13/05
Conner, Ray	10/20/86
Cox, Neal	10/21/99
Crocker, Michael	
Crisp, Jesse	07/24/05
Crumpler, Joe	04/02/77
Daughtry, Jeff	10/23/86
Dilley, Sherman	08/06/89
Drake, Ronnie	10/15/01
Ellis, J.B	
English, Jerry	1965
Fader, Donald	08/78
Forsythe, Lewis	10/20/94
Fussell, Bob	10/18/77
Futch, Bill	11/62
Garner, Francis	11/12/63
Gaskins, Hillary	02/16/72
Grubbs, H. Adrian	04/63
Grubbs, Paul	
Gurganus, James	05/27/80
Haddock, Duane	01/18/09
Hansley, David	05/02/61
Hargrove, Steve	03/78
Heath, Timothy	11/11/85
Hill, Andrew	10/13/60
Hines, K. David	06/07/79
Hoult, Thomas	03/12/95
Houston, Foy	04/30/95
Jones, Ernest	10/21/99
Koonce, Nelson	
Lane, A. Graham	07/29/53
Lawrence, Tim	

<b><u>Ordained Minister</u></b>	<b><u>Ordination Date</u></b>
Ledbetter, W. Michael	1977
Lewis, Ray	11/23/08
Parker, Ronnie	11/12/63
Parker, Mitchell	04/05/08
Peele, Owen	10/24/91
Randall, Doug	10/92
Roberts, Richard	03/11/81
Rouse, Bryce	02/08/68
Sadler, Earl	01/05
Sasser, Buddy	06/13/71
Scott, Mike	10/17/79
Simmons, Craig	04/28/79
Simpson, Grady	11/85
Singleton, Chris	01/70
Sizemore, Jerry	08/16/86
Smith, A.G	07/70
Smith, David	02/02/03
Sowers, James	11/04/81
Stancil, Greg	10/26/97
Stott, Kevin	10/12/92
Stroud, William	05/26/86
Summerlin, Ashley	04/91
Sumner, Eugene	1963
Sutton, Walter	07/59
Taylor, O.B.	10/23/57
Taylor, Ronnie	07/12/08
Taylor, Wesley	
Thigpen, R. Earl	10/19/95
Trogon, Ashley	09/11/06
Vesper, David	08/31/83
Warning, Michael	11/01
Warren, James	
Watson, Gary	1972
Watson, Wayne	05/03/70
Webber, Timothy	01/24/82
Webster, Jimmy	09/08/64
Whitfield, Josh	12/13/08
Whitfield, Mickey	06/12/77
Winberry, Jay	09/30/01
Willis, W.H.	10/48
Windley, John Mark	11/20/92
Yates, Robert	10/81
Yopp, Tommy	10/21/99

**Licensed Ministers**

Scott Broadway  
Kelvin Coates  
Crandall Fountain

Angela Mattox  
Bob Smith  
Michael Wheeler

Nick Lewis



**MINUTES of the 140<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SESSION**  
**of the**  
**PEE DEE ASSOCIATION**  
**of**  
**ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS**  
**in session at**  
**Pine Level Original Free Will Baptist Church**  
**Columbus County, North Carolina**

**October 17, 2009**

The next session will be held at Pireway Original Free Will Baptist Church (Columbus County) on the Saturday before the third Sunday in October 2010 (October 16, 2010) beginning at 9:00 a.m.

**PEE DEE ASSOCIATION OFFICERS**

MODERATOR: Rev. Dean Cartrette, 409 Porter Rd., Tabor City, NC 28463  
ASST. MODERATOR: Rev. Dr. Bobby Carden, PO Box 734, Bladenboro, NC 28320  
CLERK: Dr. Danny D. McPherson, 69 Brice Ward Rd., Chadbourn, NC 28431  
TREASURER: Ronny Settle, 2651 Whitehall Rd., Whiteville, NC 28472

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

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Dr. Danny D. McPherson	69 Brice Ward Rd.	Chadbourn, NC 28431
Ronny Settle	2651 Whitehall Rd.	Whiteville, NC 28472
Rev. Larry Greenwood	1783 Swamp Fox Hwy.	Tabor City, NC 28463

**ORDAINING COUNCIL**

Rev. Dallas Byrd	PO Box 57	Clarendon, NC 28432
Rev. William J. Godwin	726 Woodrow Cribb Rd.	Clarendon, NC 28432
Rev. James H. Nobles	122 Mercer Rd.	Chadbourn, NC 28431
Rev. Jackie Strickland	4058 Smyrna Rd.	Whiteville, NC 28472
Rev. Brooks Sykes	35 Ed Ward Rd.	Clarendon, NC 28432

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

F. J. Lee		Nakina, NC 28455
Marvin McPherson	1128 Garland Duncan Rd.	Chadbourn, NC 28431
Isaac Norris, Jr.	8195 Old Stake Rd.	Tabor City, NC 28463
Nelson D. Soles	1175 Carolina Rd.	Tabor City, NC 28463

**ORDAINED MINISTERS**

George Benton	305 E. Walter St.	Whiteville, NC 28432
Joseph B. Benton, III	2510 Ole King St.	Conway, SC 29526
Gary Bryan	1902 Horseshoe Rd.	Bladenboro, NC 28320
Dallas Byrd	PO Box 57	Clarendon, NC 28432
Bobby Carden	PO Box 734	Bladenboro, NC 28320
Dean Cartrette	409 Porter Rd.	Tabor City, NC 28463
Pete Cribb	18981 Peacock Rd.	Whiteville, NC 28472
Ray Cribb	1388 Ward Town Rd. S.	Whiteville, NC 28472
Freddie Edwards	1799 Guyton Rd.	Bladenboro, NC 28320
William J. Godwin	726 Woodrow Cribb Rd.	Clarendon, NC 28432
Larry Greenwood	6083 Swamp Fox Hwy. W.	Tabor City, NC 28463
William Hearl	1115 Hwy. 548	Conway, SC 29526
Dewey Hilbourn	Route 1, Box 291	Tabor City, NC 28463
Wade A. McPherson	Chevy Lane	Chadbourn, NC 28431
James Howard Nobles	122 Mercer Rd.	Chadbourn, NC 28431
Hollon Norris	8703 Old Stake Rd.	Tabor City, NC 28463
Robert Sellers	907 Stake Rd.	Tabor City, NC 28463
Timothy Ray Soles	1929 W. Dogwood Rd.	Loris, SC 29545
Edward Spivey	355 Spivey Rd.	Tabor City, NC 28463
Jackie Strickland	4058 Smyrna Rd.	Whiteville, NC 28472
Brooks Sykes	35 Ed Ward Rd.	Clarendon, NC 28432
Jamey Ward	Will Inman Rd.	Tabor City, NC 28463
William E. Ward	5360 Peachtree Rd.	Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

**PROCEEDINGS**

The One Hundred Fortieth Annual Session of the Pee Dee Association of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina convened at Pine Level Original Free Will Baptist Church in Columbus County, NC October 17, 2009.

The session opened as the congregation sang "He Set Me Free." Moderator Rev. Dean Cartrette called the meeting to order and gave the devotional services, taking his text from Matthew 22: 15-22. Rev. James Howard Nobles led the congregation in altar prayer.

Rev. Jackie Strickland, pastor of Mt. Calvary Original Free Will Baptist Church, gave the welcome address with response by Rev. George Benton.

The moderator welcomed everyone and invited visitors to enjoy the association activities but reminded them that they could not take part in any business. Afterwards, the moderator announced the house in order for business.

The roll of churches was called, and all churches were represented by letter and delegates.

The roll of ministers was called, and Revs. Charles V. Cribb, Freddie Edwards, and Timmy Soles were absent. A petition for excuse was given for Rev. Timothy Soles. Bro. Alfred McPherson made a motion to grant his request. The motion was seconded and carried.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Dale Beck, Rev. George Benton, & Glenn Cribb

OBITUARY: Shelby Causey, Ken Nealey, & Nelson Soles

RESOLUTION: GC Bryan, Heath Connor, & Woodie Etheridge

Representatives from denominational enterprises gave brief reports on the efforts of their particular ministries. Rev. Charles Renfrow, President of the Convention, addressed the association bringing greetings on behalf of the convention and then introduced the following persons who reported on behalf of their ministry: Wallie Hargrove (Free Will Baptist Press), Rev. David Charles Hansley (Home Missions and Evangelism), Hope McPherson (Mount Olive College), and Gary Lee (Children's Home). Rev. James Howard Nobles moved to accept the reports as information; motion was seconded and passed.

The congregation sang a hymn and collected an offering for the Children's Home.

Following a brief morning recess, the moderator called the house back to order.

Church letters were called for and read by the clerk.

The moderator called for the clerk to read the reports of the committees.

## **REPORTS**

### ***RESOLUTION***

We, the resolution committee, have no resolutions to bring at this time.

Respectfully submitted,  
GC Bryan, Jr.  
Heath Connor  
Woodie Etheridge

Report was received, and the committee dismissed by motion of Rev. George Benton.

### ***CHRISTIAN EDUCATION***

We, your committee, recommend that all our churches, homes, and schools use the King James Version of the Bible and that all literature distributed in our churches be of the King James Version only. We also encourage our ministers to further their education at Mount Olive College and be active in supporting the college and its ministries. We also request that more material referring only to the King James Version be made available to local churches and that the material be free of references to other biblical versions.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dale Beck  
Rev. George Benton  
Glenn Cribb

Report was received, and the committee was dismissed by motion of Rev. James Howard Nobles.

**OBITUARY**

We, your committee, regret to report that to the best of our knowledge, we had 18 deaths during this past year.

We ask the congregation to stand and pause in silent prayer in memory of these brothers and sisters in Christ.

Respectfully submitted,  
Shelby Causey  
Ken Nealey  
Nelson D. Soles

Report was received, and the committee was dismissed by motion of Rev. George Benton.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Beginning balance (October 18, 2008)	1648.23
Deposit from association	1594.50
Total (October 20, 2008)	\$3242.73
Checks for the past year	
# 427 Rev. Dallas Byrd (Bible)	44.27
# 428 Dr. Danny McPherson	50.00
# 429 Rev. Dean Cartrette	50.00
# 430 Mount Olive College	600.00
# 431 Ronny Settle	50.00
# 432 Children's Home	185.00
# 433 Convention of Original Free Will Baptists	<u>210.00</u>
Total checks written during 2008-09	\$1189.27
Balance (October 17, 2009)	\$2053.46

Respectfully submitted,  
Ron Settle, Treasurer

Treasurer's report was accepted by motion of Bro. Dale Beck.

**ORDAINING COUNCIL**

The Council met December 2, 2008 after receiving a letter from Cypress Creek Original Free Will Baptist Church asking the Council to meet with Rev. Ray Cribb from the Piedmont Conference. Since Cypress Creek OFWB Church would like to elect Rev. Ray Cribb as pastor, the Council questioned him on biblical truths and Free Will Baptist doctrine and recommended that Rev. Cribb be given a Pee Dee Certificate of Ordination pending a letter of good standing from the Piedmont Conference. When the Council receives correspondence, they will schedule another meeting with Rev. Cribb.

## Pee Dee Association

The Council met February 16, 2009 after receiving a letter from Olive Branch Church in Leland, NC asking the Council for a letter of good standing for Rev. Charles Cribb as an ordained minister of the Pee Dee Association. A letter of good standing was granted by the Council and was mailed February 17, 2009.

The Council met October 13, 2009 after receiving a letter of good standing for Rev. Ray Cribb. Since Rev. Cribb had already been questioned on biblical truths and Free Will Baptist doctrine and had met or exceeded requirements, the Council issued him a Pee Dee Certificate of Ordination.

The Council met October 13, 2009 after receiving a letter from Beaverdam Original Free Will Baptist Church recommending Rev. Wade McPherson for ordination. Rev. McPherson successfully passed all tests, and his ordination service is scheduled for Sunday evening, November 1, 2009 at Beaverdam Original Free Will Baptist Church.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. Dallas Byrd, Secretary

Rev. Dallas Byrd moved to accept the report. The motion carried.

Rev. James Howard Nobles moved that the Association extend the right hand of fellowship to Rev. Ray Cribb. Motion carried.

### ***EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE***

The Executive Committee (by consensus) selected Rev. Larry Greenwood to preach the Association message.

Rev. Hollon Norris submitted his verbal resignation from the Pee Dee Association Ordaining Council to Association Moderator Dean Cartrette—effective June 2009.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. Dean Cartrette, Moderator  
Rev. Bobby Carden, Assistant Moderator  
Ron Settle, Treasurer  
Rev. Larry Greenwood, Member at large  
Dr. Danny McPherson, Clerk

Rev. George Benton moved to accept the report. The motion carried.

Rev. George Benton moved that because the minutes had been and are available in the *Yearbook* to omit the reading of the 2008 minutes. Motion carried.

### **OLD or UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Rev. Jackie Strickland moved to select a home for the association meeting in 2010. Motion carried. Rev. Brooks Sykes invited the Association to meet at Pireway Original Free Will Baptist Church for the 2010 association meeting scheduled for October 16, 2010. Rev. George Benton moved that the invitation be accepted; motion carried.



Rev. James Howard Nobles moved to pay the officers the same as usual; motion carried.

Rev. Hollon Norris moved that the Pee Dee Association become a Mount Olive Bridge Builder by donating \$700 to the Pee Dee Association Bridge Builder Campaign. Rev. Bobby Carden seconded the motion, and it carried.

Rev. James Howard Nobles moved that the Association take action to fill the vacant position on the Ordaining Council (Rev. Hollon Norris position); motion carried. The moderator opened the floor for nominations, and Rev. Jackie Strickland was nominated. With no other nominations, Rev. Larry Greenwood moved to close the nominations and appointed Rev. Jackie Strickland to the Pee Dee Association Ordaining Council. Motion passed.

Rev. James Howard Nobles made a motion to remove Rev. Charles Cribb from the roll of eligible ministers in the Pee Dee Association of Original Free Will Baptists. Motion carried.

Rev. Gary Bryan made a motion that the Association reimburse the Pee Dee representative to the Executive Committee of the Convention for fuel/gas used in related travel (mileage related to representation of the Pee Dee Association at Executive Committee meetings of the Convention). Appropriate documentation is required. Motion carried.

Rev. Bobby Carden made a motion that henceforth, the Pee Dee Association select its representative to the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Convention of Free Will Baptists AND that the representative be selected at the annual Association meeting prior to the end of the current representative's term. Motion passed.

Rev. James Howard Nobles moved for the Association to select the Pee Dee representative to the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Convention of Free Will Baptists; motion carried. Rev. Bobby Carden nominated Rev. James Howard Nobles. With no other nomination, Bro. Alfred McPherson moved to close the nominations. Motion carried, and Rev. James Howard Nobles was selected as the Pee Dee representative to the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Convention of Free Will Baptists.

Rev. Hollon Norris made a motion for the clerk of the Association to send a letter to the North Carolina Convention of Original Free Will Baptists concerning the selection of the Pee Dee representative to the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Convention; motion carried.

Rev. Hollon Norris moved that the Association give Pine Level Original Free Will Baptist Church a standing vote of thanks for their hospitality. Motion carried.

Rev. Jackie Strickland moved to recess out of business and to enter into worship service. Motion carried. Rev. Larry Greenwood delivered the morning message.

Following the message, the moderator asked Rev. Bobby Carden to return thanks for the lunch prepared by Pine Level Original Free Will Baptist Church and to adjourn the Annual meeting by benediction.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Dean Cartrette, Moderator  
Dr. Danny D. McPherson, Clerk

**MINUTES**  
**of the**  
**66th Annual Session**  
**of the**  
**Original Free Will Baptist**

**Held with**  
**Christ Original Free Will Baptist Church**  
**Stokesdale, North Carolina**  
**July 24th & 25th 2009**

**Executive Board**

Moderator: Reverend David Atkins (2011)  
Vice Moderator: Reverend Tim Burton (2010)  
Treasurer: Reverend Carlee Stallard (2011)  
Clerk: Wayne Hicks (2011)  
At Large: Reverend Anthony Hancock (2011)  
At Large 2: Reverend David Parrish (2011)

**Ordaining Council**

Reverend Larry Brown (2011)  
Reverend Hillis Burton (2010)  
Reverend Claude Garrett, Sr. (2010)  
Reverend Jimmy Garrett (2011)  
Reverend Johnny Johnson (2010)

**Conference Reporter**

Ms. Pebbles Joyce (2010)

**Memorial Committee**

Mrs. Neoma Garrett  
Reverend Carlee Stallard

**Conference Trustees**

Reverend David Atkins  
Reverend Claude Garrett, Sr.

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Rev. James Blount 228 Kumquat Drive Fayetteville, NC 28306; Phone (910) 481-0595  
Rev. Larry Brown 136 Fairwood Road Rockingham, NC 28379; Phone (910) 997-5991  
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Rev. David Parrish 2114 Bertha Street Kannapolis, NC 28084; Phone (704) 933-2002  
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### **Clerk of the Piedmont Conference**

- Wayne Hicks 221 Linwood Road Stokesdale, NC 27357; Phone (336) 548-4453

### **Reporter for the Piedmont Conference**

- Pebble Joyce P.O. Box 214, NC 27357; Phone (336) 427-0334

## **Proceedings**

The Sixty-sixth annual session of the Piedmont Conference of the Original Free Will Baptist convened at Christ Original Free Will Baptist Church in Stokesdale, North Carolina on July 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009 with the Reverend David Atkins as the host pastor.

The Annual Youth Rally began on Friday evening July 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00. There were 2 churches represented, Christ and Friendly Chapel, and a guest church Northside. All of the three churches represented participated by singing, skits and answering questions on lessons they have been studying. Trophies were awarded to each church for their participation in the Youth Rally. Pizza was then served in the fellowship hall, where all enjoyed great fellowship.

The business session started at 10:00 am on July 25, 2009 with the opening hymn, "At Calvary". The Conference was called to order by the Moderator, Reverend David Atkins. Devotions were given by Rev. Cathy Vernon. The roll of the churches and ministers was taken with 7 churches represented and 14 ministers present with a total attendance of 38.

### **Executive Board:**

Ideas for growing Piedmont Conference – Rev. Tim Burton suggested website. Rev. David Parrish suggested having a family day for all churches and families (Hamburgers & Hotdogs). Sister Brown attended Free Will Baptist Ladies Auxiliary seminar at the Free Will Baptist Convention & was impressed and made suggestion to Moderator Rev. David Atkins that maybe the Piedmont Conference could get a representative to come and hold a seminar for the ladies of the Piedmont Conference to help encourage them – Decided good idea and will pray on matter for God's direction. Need to concentrate on youth – need folks that will be willing to work with the youth of the Piedmont Conference – Youth Leaders of Conference & each church What can we do to get the attention of the youth? Pray about adding an additional meeting back, so that we would have Conference meetings on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday before the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday.

### **Ordaining Council:**

Meet with Rev. Ronnie Roy, He would like to join the Piedmont Conference, as well as his church Messiah Ministries. Rev. Roy passed exam. Messiah's Ministries petition to become a member the Piedmont Conference was brought before the body of the Conference. Voted and passed to accept Rev. Ronnie Roy and his church Messiah's Ministries based on the findings of the Executive Board.

### **Denominational Enterprises:** *These were present and came forward to give a report.*

**Mount Olive** – Reverend Lyn Renfrow – New President for Mt Olive College – doing well

**Retirement Homes** – Rev. Lyn Renfrow

**Children's Home** – Rev. Lyn Renfrow

**Sunday School Board** – Sister Mary Dudley

D6 Meeting in Texas in Sept 09 (Faith in Action: Be the Church)

E-Teach-sending out memo's & flyers via Email

Working on Mobile Sunday School Ministry to go out and reach each church, looking for a vehicle;

Sister Gail Heath - Advised of the Joshua's Call Men's Conference for the men of the Free Will Baptist held on October 24, 2009 at Everett's Chapel OFWB Church

**Home Missions** – Lyn Renfrow – rebuilding homes destroyed by tornados/

**Cragmont** – No Representative

**Free Will Baptist Press** – Sister Mary Dudley advised if you did not receive "TFWB" that this was a good time. Changes to printing and pictures to make it clearer and nicer also trying to have Free Will Baptist folks on each cover. Subscription instructions and cost inside free copy

**Foreign Missions** – Lyn Renfrow – Brother Harold and Sister Sandra due back from Mexico today

**Prison/Bike Ministries** – Rev. Tim Webber

**Free Will Baptist Youth Ministries** – No Representative



**Obituary Report** – Sister Pat Hicks – several members lost from the House of Prayer & Elwood Lane

**Nominating Committee** – (*The Executive Board*) – read by Sister Pat Hicks – to replace/return: Moderator Reverend David Atkins-return, Treasurer Reverend Carlee Stallard-return, At Large Reverend Anthony Hancock-return, At Large 2 Reverend David Parrish-return, Clerk Brother Wayne Hicks-return; (*Ordaining Council*) – Reverend Larry Brown-return; Reverend Tom Parrish to be replaced with Reverend Jimmy Garrett due to illness in Rev. Tom Parrish's family. Conference voted and accepted all nominations.

**Resolutions:**

We do hereby resolve to give Christ a standing vote of thanks for their hospitality in hosting the 66<sup>th</sup> Annual session of the Piedmont Conference. (Resolutions Committee: Sister Pat Hicks of Christ & Sister Sue Portor of the House of Prayer)

Moderator, Rev David Atkins suggested that the Piedmont Conference give to Sister Mary Dudley of the Sunday School Board \$250.00 toward the purchase of a vehicle for the Mobile Ministry, Rev Jerry Campbell made a motion to give \$500.00, it was seconded and all approved to give Sister Mary Dudley \$500.00 for the Mobile Ministry for the Sunday School & Free Will Baptist Press boards.

**Worship Hour:**

"When the roll is called up yonder" was the opening hymn. Christ OFWB Church singers did the special singing. Reverend David Atkins preached a message titled "When Jesus is not in the House". He read from John 12: 32-38. Dismissal Prayer, Everyone adjourned to the fellowship hall for a wonderful meal that had been prepared, thank you Christ OFWB Church for your hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,  
Reverend David Atkins, Moderator  
Wayne Hicks, Clerk



**MINUTES  
of the  
ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-THIRD SESSION  
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WESTERN CONFERENCE  
of  
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST  
Held with  
BRANCH CHAPEL ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH  
Selma, North Carolina  
October 15, 2009**

**Officers for the Year 2009-2010**

Moderator: The Reverend Harry Brown, 3308 Hope Valley Road,  
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Assistant Moderator: The Reverend Charles L. Renfrow, P.O. Box 880,  
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Clerk: The Reverend Lewis Godwin, 120 Hilltop Drive, Four Oaks, NC 27524 (2010)

Treasurer: The Reverend Allen Stanley, 102 Creekside Drive, Selma, NC 27576 (2011)

Member-at-large: The Reverend Chuck Owens, 1071 Gurley Dairy Road,  
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**Executive Committee**

The Reverend Harry Brown, Moderator (2010)

The Reverend Charles L. Renfrow, V-Chairman (2011)

The Reverend Lewis Godwin, Clerk (2010)

The Reverend Allen Stanley, Treasurer (2011)

The Reverend Chuck Owens, Member-at-large (2010)

**Board of Trustees**

Brother John Davis (2010)

The Reverend Stanley Kirby (2011)

The Reverend Terry Dennis (2012)

The Reverend Barry Stallings (2013)

**Board of Ordination**

The Reverend Rudy Owens (2010)

The Reverend Frank Grubbs (2011)

The Reverend David Kriger (2012)

The Reverend De Wayne Eakes (2013)

The Reverend Norman Gordon (2014)

The Reverend Ray Wells (2015)

The Reverend James Rogerson (2016)

**Representative of Western Conference Stock at FWB Press**

The Reverend George Futrelle (2010)

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### **Ordained Ministers from Other Conferences Working in the Western Conference**

BAILEY, GARY M. Central Conference, pastoring at Stoney Creek OFWB Church  
LEITCHWORTH, LARRY Central Conference, pastoring at Harmony OFWB Church,  
Wilson  
FORSYTHE, LEWIS, Eastern Conference, pastoring Spring Hill OFWB Church  
NOWELL, BILLY, Cape Fear Conference, pastoring at Pleasant Plain OFWB Church  
SWINSON, HAROLD, Albemarle, Conference pastoring at Kenly OFWB Church  
WILLIAMS, BARRY WAYNE, Central Conference pastoring as Associate Pastor  
Stoney Creek OFWB Church  
STALLING, BLAKE, Rock Springs OFWB Church

### **Approved for License to Preach in the Western Conference**

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### **Proceedings:**

The One-Hundred and Twenty Third Session of the Western Conference of Original Free Will Baptist convened at Branch Chapel Original Will Baptist Church, Selma, North Carolina, on October 15, 2009, at 9:00 am. The Clerk called the Conference to order. The opening devotions were given by Rev. George Futrelle. The host church led the congregation in singing the opening hymn.

The welcome was given by host Pastor, Rev. Terry Dennis, and the response was given by Rev. Harry Brown.

The Moderator Rev. Harry Brown made the following appointments to temporary committees: Nominating Committee the Revs. Buddy Rogerson, Barry Stallings, and Doug Sanders; Resolutions Committee: The Revs. Terry Dennis, Danny Smith, and Licensed Minister Kenneth Wagner; Memorial Committee: The Revs. Ray Wells and Lloyd Hargis.

The Moderator, Rev. Harry Brown, addressed the conference: America under the Judgment of God.

The Clerk called the roll of ministers and churches.







our churches in answering initial questions that a candidate might have in regards to the requirements for ordination.

8. Conference Attendance:

A. Any minister (licensed or ordained) holding membership in the Western Conference, who fails to attend the annual session of the Conference for two consecutive years or fails to send a letter showing reasonable excuse for non-attendance, is subject to censure and/or the revocation of his credentials of ordination.

B. All ministers (licensed or ordained) serving in the Western Conference in any pastoral position are required to register and attend the annual session of the Western Conference. Pastoral positions include but are not limited to pastors, associate pastors, and youth ministers. Failure to attend two consecutive years or failure to send a letter showing reasonable cause for non-attendance will subject the minister to censure and/or the revocation of credentials.

9. Annual Convention Attendance:

Any minister (licensed and ordained) holding membership in the Western Conference is required to register and attend at least one day of our annual two-day Convention of OFWB which meets Wednesday and Thursday following the second Sunday of May. A letter stating reasonable cause will also be accepted in lieu of this requirement. It may be sent to either the Clerk of the Board of Ordination or the Clerk of the Conference.

10. Ministers Transferring into the Western Conference:

A. From Sister Conferences: These ministers must be cleared with the Western Conference Board of Ordination prior to assuming the pastorate to which they are called. This is the responsibility of the church calling the minister, however the minister should be sure it has been done prior to beginning the prospective work. This is a simple procedure designed to protect our churches from harm. Our churches are not independent of the Conference as is true in some other denominations and groups.

B. From other Denominations: For this information you are referred to page 89 of our Articles of Faith & Principles of Church Government.

11. The Christian Flag Service for Ministers:

The Board of Ordination will serve as the Conference Christian Flag Committee. Any minister serving in the Western Conference at the time of his death will be given the Christian Flag Service if the minister has so requested or the family so desires. The flag will be purchased by the Conference.

12. Items for Praise:

1. Our newly ordained ministers
2. Our newly licensed minister
3. Our new members by baptism or transfer into the member churches of the Western Conference.

13. Things a Licensed Minister Can and Cannot Do:

1. A licensed minister cannot be called or hired as pastor (or associate) of any church.
2. A licensed minister can serve a church on an interim or supply basis under the supervision of his Board of Ordination Advisor or another ordained minister as directed by the Board of Ordination. The service is to be limited to six months in any one church. If the church wishes an extension on the service of the licensed minister, the church must appeal to the Board of Ordination.
3. A licensed minister cannot administer the ordinances of the Gospel.
4. A licensed minister cannot perform wedding ceremonies.
5. A licensed minister can conduct worship services, preach, and teach as the opportunities are afforded to the licensed minister.
6. A licensed minister can officiate in a funeral service.
7. A licensed minister can be elected to serve as temporary chairman of a business meeting with the exceptions as outlined on pg. 74, paragraph 2 of The Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government.
8. A licensed minister can vote at the annual conference.

14. Recommendations to the Conference:

1. The ministers ordained since our last conference, the Revs. William Cameron Ash, William David Currie, George H. Futrelle, and Stanley Worth Kirby, be welcomed into the Conference with the Right Hand of Fellowship by the Moderator and their names be added to the list of duly ordained ministers of the Western Conference by the Conference Clerk.
2. The newly licensed minister, Kenneth Wagnor, be added to the list of licensed ministers by the Conference Clerk.
3. That all our ministers, both ordained and licensed, continue to abide by our current Ministerial Code of Ethics.
4. That our Churches not call ordained or licensed minister from other denominations to serve as interim or to do supply work. Our churches be reminded of the statement from page 68 of The Articles of Faith and Principles of Church Government of Original Free Will Baptist (Of the English General Baptist Heritage): "The Church shall call its own pastor from among the duly ordained Original Free Will Baptist ministers who are approved by the Conference of which the church is a member, upon such terms as shall be mutually agreeable."
5. We request that our ministers inform the board of ordination when they resign from their church. This is so that we can assist our churches in the search process and interim period.
6. The Board of Ordination recommends that the Conference require all current and future licensed ministers to attend an annual workshop conducted by the Western Conference Ordaining Council or in conjunction with other Ordaining Councils.
7. The Board of Ordination recommends that the Conference authorize the Board of conduct a back ground check on all persons coming before the Board for licensing and also on all ministers transferring into the Conference from other

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Conferences or Denomination. This background check will include but not be limited to checking references, a credit check and any other investigations the Board deems necessary.

8. That this report in its entirety be received by the Conference and these recommendations be accepted by the Conference as submitted.

Respectfully submitted,  
Your Board of Ordination  
Ray Wells, Chair  
De W. Eakes, Clerk  
Rudy Owens  
James Rogerson  
David Kriger  
Frank Grubbs  
Calvin Health

### REQUIREMENTS FOR ORDINATION (A Checklist for the Licensed Minister)

The call to the Gospel Ministry is a call to grow and prepare in order that the Minister may serve God's purpose. Those whom God calls should make adequate preparation to live out that call. The Western Conference requires a high school diploma or its equivalent and sixty-four semester hours of college work, of which a minimum of thirty-two hours is to be in Bible, religion, church history, theology, and related studies. The following is a checklist for the licensed minister to use as requirements are met. A duplicate of this list is maintained in the candidate's file and will be used to help determine that the requirements have been met prior to ordination.

#### REQUIRED COURSES:

- ☐ A course in Free Will Baptist Church History and Doctrine
- ☐ A course in homiletics
- ☐ A course in leadership

There are certain requirements that a candidate for ordination must meet to qualify for ordination:

The above specified educational requirements must be met.

The candidate must have been a licensed minister for at least one year and not more than five years.

The candidate must submit an audio and/or video recording of a sermon preached during the license period to the Board of Ordination.

The candidate must successfully have completed the Ordination Examination of the

Western Conference. This examination has both a written and an oral part. The church granting the license must request that the Board of Ordination administer the examination. The request must be by letter signed by the pastor and clerk of the church, or the chair of the board of deacons if the church is without a pastor.

A licensed minister may serve a church as an interim for a period of six (6) months under the supervision of a watch-care supervisor assigned by the Board of Ordination of the Conference. At the end of the six (6) month period, if the church wishes to extend the service of the licensed minister the church must make a request for the extension to the Board of Ordination. This rule also applies if the licensed minister is serving a church outside of the bounds of the Western Conference.

### **MINISTERIAL CODE OF ETHICS**

I am a minister of the Lord Jesus Christ, called of God to proclaim the unsearchable riches of His love, therefore, I voluntarily adopt the following principles in order that through dedication and self-discipline I may set a more worthy example for those I seek to lead and serve.

#### **I. My Personal Life**

1. I will cultivate my devotional life, continuing steadfast in reading the Bible and prayer.
2. I will endeavor to keep physically and emotionally fit for my work.
3. I will endeavor to be fair to my family and seek to give them the time and consideration to which they are entitled.
4. I will endeavor to live within my income and will not carelessly leave unpaid debts behind me.
5. I will strive to grow in my work through comprehensive reading and careful study and by attending conventions and conferences.
6. I will be honest in my stewardship of money.
7. I will seek to dress in keeping with the dignity of the ministry.

#### **II. My Relationship to the Church(es) Which I Serve.**

1. In my preaching, I will exalt the Bible and will be true to my convictions, proclaiming the same in love.
2. I will maintain a Christian attitude toward my church officers and will not expect the unreasonable of them.
3. In my pastoral calling, I will have respect for every home I enter, for I am a representative of Christ and His church.
4. I will strive with evangelistic zeal to build up my church, but will maintain a Christian attitude at all times toward members of other churches and their religious bodies.
5. I will under no circumstances violate confidences that come to me as a minister.
6. I will not break a contract which I have made with a church for pastoral or evangelistic services without first securing their expressed consent.
7. I will seek to make service primary and remuneration secondary.



8. When employed for full-time service by a church (or churches), I will not engage in other lines of remunerative work without the knowledge and consent of the church or its official board.
9. I will not take sides with any faction in my church unless a doctrinal or moral issue is involved.
10. As a pastor, I rightfully control the use of my own pulpit, but I will not invite persons into it who are not generally acceptable to my people.
11. In my administrative and pastoral duties, I will remember that I am pastor of all my members, and I will seek to avoid any display of preference and the cultivation of intimacies within the church or the community which may be construed as evidence of partiality. I will seek not to identify myself with any social set either in the church or the community and I will endeavor not to allow personal feelings to interfere with the impartial nature of my ministrations.
12. When I can no longer command the respect and cooperation of a congregation, I will, in the interest of the church, quietly resign and will strive to strengthen the unity of the congregation regardless of the circumstances.
13. I will never speak disparagingly of my church or my profession.
14. I will not incur any sizable financial obligation for the church without first obtaining consent.

### **III. My Relationship to My Denomination**

1. I will keep my self informed concerning my denomination by regular attendance at meetings of conferences and conventions, reading denominational periodicals, and familiarizing myself with our history, doctrine, and polity.
2. I will not be unduly critical of my denomination, but will cooperate in correcting whatever faults or failures that may occur.
3. As a pastor, I will seek to lead the church (or churches) which I serve to be loyal to the denomination and to cooperate with its program.
4. I will endeavor to be loyal to my denomination; however, if the time should ever come when I feel it necessary to sever my relationship with the denomination, I will surrender my credentials to the proper authorities.

### **IV. My Relationship With My Brother Ministers**

1. I will refuse to enter into unfair competition with other ministers in order to secure a pulpit or place of distinction.
2. I will refrain from frequent visits to a former field without consulting the present pastor, and if I am called back for a funeral or a wedding, I will request that he (the present pastor) be present.
3. I will not trouble my successor by meddling in the affairs of the church I formerly served.
4. I will be courteous to any predecessor of mine when he returns to the field, so long as he does not meddle in affairs of the church.
5. I will be thoughtful of any retired minister.
6. I will show courtesy and respect toward ministers who are my senior in age.
7. I will not accept the pulpit of another person unless he invites me, or, in his absence receive an invitation from the deacons.



8. I will not knowingly use sermon material prepared by another without acknowledging the source from which it comes.
9. Upon leaving a parsonage, I will seek to leave it in first-class condition, with all dirt, rubbish, etc. removed.
10. Upon retirement from the active ministry, I will give my pastor my loyal support.
11. I will not gossip about other ministers, nor encourage it. But in cases of unethical conduct I will bring the matter before the proper body.
12. I will hold in sincere respect any minister whose work is well done, regardless of the size or the nature of the field he serves.
13. Although I may sometimes differ from my fellow minister, I will respect their Christian earnestness and sincerity.
14. I will seek not to interfere directly or indirectly with the church work of another minister, and I will especially be careful to avoid the charge of proselyting.
15. I will neither make nor consider overtures from a church whose pastor has not yet resigned.
16. I will seek to make my relationship with my fellow ministers one of frankness and cooperation.
17. I will show a friendly and cooperative interest in my brethren, attending the group meetings of the ministers, assisting them with labors of love, defending them against injustice, and following them with kindly concern in their hours of need or distress.

#### **V. My Public Relations**

1. I will never lower my ideals in order to appear "a good fellow."
2. I consider that my first duty to my community is to be a conscientious pastor and leader of my own congregation, but I will not use this fact as an easy excuse to escape reasonable responsibilities that the community calls upon me to assume.
3. As an ethical leader in the community, I will seek to be scrupulously honest and to meet my bills promptly.
4. I will not consider myself under obligation to marry every couple that comes to be married, but I will use the power of refusal with great discretion.
5. I will not give the sanction of my presence to unbecoming conversation or conduct and indecent dress.

This code of ethics has been adopted by the North Carolina Ministerial Association of Original Free Will Baptist as amended during its regular session at Cragmont Assembly, June 18-21, 1962.

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Motion was made, seconded and passed to receive the Ordination report as presented.

The Moderator recognized the newly licensed and ordained ministers, and ministers transferring into the Western Conference.

Moderator recognized the ministers who were visiting.

### Credentials Committee Report

A complete report of the Credentials Committee was received and the delegates were seated with the following report.

Ordained ministers present	53
Licensed ministers present	3
Visiting ministers present	4
Delegates present	53
Ministers and Delegates total present	69

Money Received	\$3405.00
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#### Churches of the Western Conference

Membership	7147
Received by baptism	77
Received by letter	110
Members lost	
Death	104
Letter	58

#### Membership of organizations

Sunday School	3,111
Woman's Auxiliary	646
YFA	345
AFC	231
Cherubs	161
Laymen's League	284

### Minutes: Western Conference Executive Committee 11/29/08

The Executive Committee of the Western Conference met Wednesday, November 29, 2008 at Stony Hill Free Will Baptist Church, Middlesex NC, members present were: Harry Brown, Moderator; Charles Renfrow, Vice Moderator; Lewis Godwin, Clerk; Allen Stanley, Treasurer; Chuck Owens, Member at large

The meeting was opened with prayer.

The Convention of Original Free Will Baptist in Ayden requested that the Western Conference provide \$200.00 for expenses for office improvement at the Headquarters in Ayden. Motion was made to provide \$300.00. Motion seconded and carried.

Branch Chapel Free Will Baptist has agreed to host the Western Conference in 2009.

Motion to send each Western Conference pastor 65 or older \$25.00 for Christmas, seconded and carried.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was seconded and carried.

Meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lewis Godwin, Western Conference Clerk.

**Minutes: Western Conference Executive Committee 08/20/09**

The Executive Committee of the Western Conference met Thursday August 20, 2009 at Stony Hill Free Will Baptist, Middlesex NC. Members present were: Harry Brown, Moderator; Charles Renfrow, Vice Moderator; Lewis Godwin, Clerk; Allen Stanley, Treasurer; Chuck Owens, Member at large

The meeting was opened with prayer.

Discussion on the letter sent to Pastors within the Western Conference requesting Ministerial Data to be stored at Carolina Bible Institute. See Copy of Data Sheet for more information.

Motion to send copies of Both the Pastor Data Sheet and Church History to Ayden at Convention Headquarters to be kept on file there, motion was properly seconded and passed.

Motion to accept offer of Pleasant Grove OFWB Church to host the Western Conference in 2010, Motion was properly second and passed.

The seating of the various committees was offered.

Nominating Committee, Buddy Rogerson, Barry Stallings, Doug Sanders.

Resolutions Committee, Terry Dennis, Danny Smith, Buddy Wagner.

Memorial Committee, Rays Wells, Don Fleming.

The Program for Conference:

Morning devotion, George Futrelle

Message, Charles Renfrow

Closing devotion, Buddy Wagner

Motion to send \$25.00 to all Pastors over the age of 65 at Christmas, motion was properly seconded and passed.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was seconded and carried.

Meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lewis Godwin, Western Conference Clerk.

The report of the Executive Committee was approved.

The reports of the Convention Ministries were shared.

The report from Carolina Bible Institute was received as information.

There being no Miscellaneous Business the Conference went into a short break.

The Business was temporarily adjourned and the conference held its morning worship service.

The host church shared special music.

The morning message was given by Reverend Charles Renfrow after which the conference adjourned for lunch provided by the host church.

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After lunch the Conference reconvened with singing.

Report from the NC Foundation given by Dr. Raper was received as information.

The **Treasurer's report** was given by the Treasurer of the Western Conference, Allen Stanley.

**Financial Report of the Western Conference of Original Free Will Baptist**  
October 16, 2008 - October 15, 2009

BALANCE ON HAND - October 16, 2008 \$3,449.17

**RECEIPTS**

From Churches & Conference Offering \$3,897.30

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$3,897.30

TOTAL RECEIPTS AND OLD BALANCE \$7,346.47

**DISBURSEMENTS**

Board of Ordination Expenses \$1,035.51

Executive Board Expenses \$160.00

U.S. Post Office \$12.00

Yearbook Pages \$455.00

Convention Wall of Honor  
(In Memory of Floyd Newsome) \$500.00

NC Foundation for Ministries \$1,200.00

Christmas Gift Ministry  
(65 years old and older) \$475.00

Convention of FWB (Office Furniture) \$300.00

FWB Press Foundation (Certificates) \$8.03

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$4,146.29

BALANCE ON HAND - OCTOBER 15, 2009 \$3,200.18

TOTAL IN SCHOLARSHIP FUND WHICH IS INCLUDED IN THE ABOVE  
BALANCE \$130.00

**FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE CONFERENCE TODAY**

Churches.....\$3,595.00

Offering today.....\$735.03

Scholarship.....\$55.00

The Treasurer's Report was received as reported.

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The **Nominating Committee** presented the following report.

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To fill the position of Vice Moderator vacated by Rev. Charles L. Renfrow, we recommend that Rev. Charles L. Renfrow continue until 2011.

To fill the position of Treasurer vacated by Rev. Allen Stanley, we recommend that Rev. Allen Stanley continue until 2011.

To fill the position on the Board of Ordination vacated by Rev. Calvin Heath, unexpired term of 2014, that the Rev. James Rogerson fill the position until 2016.

To fill the position on the Credentials Committee vacated by Rev. Norman Gordon, we recommend that Rev. Garry Bissette fill the position until 2013.

To fill the position as the Representative of Western Conf. Stock at FWB Press vacated by Rev. Billy Toler, we recommend that the Rev. George Futrelle fill the position until 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Buddy Rogerson, Chairman

Barry Stallings

Doug Sanders

2009 Western Conference Nomination Committee

A MOTION TO CLOSE THE NOMINATION AND ACCEPT THE REPORT AS READ WAS SECONDED AND PASSED.

The report of the **Resolutions Committee** presented the following resolutions for consideration:

#1 Be it resolved: That the Western Conference give a hearty rising vote of thanks for the grand hospitality given to the One-Hundred Twenty Third meeting hosted by the Branch Chapel Free Will Baptist Church.

A motion to adopt the resolution was seconded and passed.

#2 Whereas: In the last several months there has been an unprecedented take over by the Government of a great many banks, financing institutions, and some markets in the private sector, and

Whereas: The Christian Church is experiencing perilous times and increased encroachment by the Government, and

Whereas: The Christian Faith had fallen upon relativism and the plurality of society and is not favored as the bedrock of our democracy.

Be it resolved: In order to exercise our Freedom of Religion (from governmental interference), we the people of the Western Conference wish to restate our firm belief in a Free Church,



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Free Enterprise,  
Free Conscience,  
Free Will,  
Free Grace,  
Free Salvation.

A motion to adopt the resolution was seconded and passed.

Respectfully submitted  
Terry Dennis  
Danny Smith  
Kenneth L. Wagnor  
Resolutions Committee Western Conference 2009

The **Memorial Committee** presented its report recognizing those that had departed since the last meeting of the Western Conference.

A motion to receive the Memorial Committee report was seconded and passed.  
Memorial report accepted.

### **Final Business Session**

Motion to continue to support the NC Foundation at the same amount as in the past.

Motion seconded and passed.

Motion to contribute \$100.00 to each Denomination Ministry, to include FWB Headquarters.

Motion seconded and passed.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and passed.

Closing scripture and prayer was by Brother Buddy Wagnor.

Respectfully submitted:

Rev. Harry Brown, Western Conference Moderator  
Rev. Lewis Godwin, Western Conference Clerk

Woman's Auxiliary Convention

**Woman's Auxiliary Convention of OFWB**

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### Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Original Free Will Baptist Executive Committee Meeting

January 17, 2009

The executive committee of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention of OFWB met on January 17, 2009 in the Hennessee Room at Mount Olive College, Mount Olive, North Carolina with the following present: Joan Little, president; Jean Averette, vice president; Jackie Flowers, benevolence; May Pittman, Central Woman's Auxiliary President and Cragmont Woman's Conference Director; Teresa Grubbs, Corresponding Secretary; Carolyn F. Jernigan, Study Course; Teresa Ball, Missions; Jane Parker, Cape Fear Auxiliary President; Jane T. Tripp, Literature Committee; Angela Warren, Christian Education Committee; The Reverend John Hill, Youth Task Force; Dianne Riley, Program Prayer; and Becky Jo Sumner, Recording Secretary and Albemarle Auxiliary president.

President Little opened the meeting with a devotion based on Hosea 11:4. She encouraged us to remember others, especially those in need. The opening prayer was offered by Dianne Riley.

A motion was made by Carolyn Jernigan, seconded by Jean Averette, and passed to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve them as written. The treasurer's report was given as information by Becky Jo Sumner in the absence of Nadine Crocker treasurer. The treasurer's report contained the following:

Beginning Balance November 1, 2008 - \$1,047.02

Funds Received - \$535.00

Expenses - \$506.00

Ending Balance - \$1076.02

The following reports were given as information: (Complete reports are located in the secretary's book.)

\* Corresponding Secretary, Teresa Grubbs, reported that letters had been written to Calvin Craft and Dr. Frankie Baggett. An article had been written for the Free Will Baptist about the 2008 Woman's Auxiliary Convention. Information had been received from Dr. Baggett on the 2008 AFC/YFA Conferences at Cragmont.

\* Christian Education Committee, Angela Warren, requested guidance for this committee. Dianne Riley met with Angela to provide this information using the guidelines in the Manual of Methods.

\* Missions, Teresa Ball, informed us of the death of Wilhem Van der Plaz's brother in Holland. We were also reminded of the need for disaster relief kits. Bedding items are especially need for these kits. We were asked to bring items for disaster kits to the Sunday School Institute on March 7 at Mount Olive College. The items will be organized into kits by teens at the institute.

\* Study Course, Carolyn Jernigan, reported that the following are available to speak: Linda Herring - stewardship; Linda McCoy - Breast Cancer Awareness; Denise Hester - Prayer.

\* Cragmont Woman's Conferences, May Pittman, shared comments from campers. It was requested that the September retreat be a different date since it conflicted with the Eastern Woman's Auxiliary Convention. It is impossible to change for 2009 because all fall weekends are booked but it was suggested that we schedule a different weekend for

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2010 or 2011 by scheduling a date now. The 2009 retreats are Morning Star, April 17-19, Cathy Crumpler; Day Spring, June 10-13, Linda Herring; Cornerstone, August 2-7, Teresa Allen; and September 18-20, Linda McCoy.

\* Benevolence, Jackie Flowers, mailed cards to Retirement Home clients; reported on activities at the Children's Home; and gave an update on work at the Edwin L. Hodges Ministries.

\* We were reminded that the nominating committee is made up of the district Woman's Auxiliary presidents with Jane Parker, president of the Cape Fear, as chairperson. Their responsibility for 2009 is to nominate an individual for the office of Youth Coordinator and one member for each of the following: Literature Committee, Christian Education Committee, and Cragmont Board Representative.

\* Devotion compiling editor, Becky Jo Sumner, announced the writers for the 2010 book. The theme for 2011 will be "Journey to Bethany".

\* Program prayer, Dianne Riley, requested recommendations for speakers, singer, choir members, and musicians for the May convention. She needs these names with addresses and phone numbers by March 1, 2009. She will use "Tangible Faith" as the theme for the convention and will also incorporate the Free Will Baptist theme into the program. The vice president will assist in finding ushers for the Woman's Auxiliary Convention.

Dianne will have note cards with the Woman's Auxiliary emblem on them available for purchase at the Sunday School Institute on March 7, 2009.

Jane Parker will contact Ruth Warwick's son to obtain biographical information on Mrs. Warwick for the 2009 convention program book. Thanks were extended to May Pittman for biographical information she obtained for Ruth Taylor.

\* Literature Committee, Jane T. Tripp, reported that the Manual of Methods and A-1 posters would be available for purchase at the Sunday School Institute on March 7. A class on the new manual will be taught at the Sunday School Institute. It was decided to place the watchword, auxiliary colors, emblem explanation and other related information on the back cover of the new manual.

The Free Will Baptist Press wants to locate Devotion program books to be placed in bound editions. At this time they have books from 1990 through the present except for 1992. We need 1992 and any Devotion that predates 1990. Carolyn Jernigan believes she has the needed books and will get them to the Free Will Baptist Press.

It was discussed that historical biographical information on leaders in the Woman's Auxiliary covered the time for its inception to the 1940's. Researched, organized, written material from the 1940's to the present is needed. The literature committee was asked to undertake this responsibility. After this information is brought up to date, this type of research and preparation will be done every five years.

\* Youth Task Force, The Reverend John Hill, reported Phase I of the Task Force works is almost complete. The Youth Leaders Summit had 58 churches and over 250 people in attendance. The Summit for 2009 will be on October 10. Bible Bowl and Sword Drill competition will be held on April 25, 2009. Fifteen churches new to this competition have requested information. Work is progressing on the May 2009 Youth Convention. In addition to other items in Phase II, the task force will be looking at an accreditation program for youth worker volunteers and availability of curriculum resources for groups and individuals.

\* The annual meeting of Woman's Auxiliary Convention will be held on May 14, 2009 at Robert's Grove FWB Church in the Cape Fear Conference. The executive meeting will be held June 6, 2009 at Mount Olive College.



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The Spring District Woman's Auxiliaries information:

Albemarle – April 11, 2009, 9:30 a.m., Sound Side OFWB Church

Cape Fear – April 4, 2009, 9:30 a.m., Powhatan OFWB Church

Central – March 28, 2009, 9:15 a.m., Friendship FWB Church

Eastern – March 21, 2009, Sarecta FWB Church

Pee Dee – April 4, 2009, Mt. Calvary FWB Church

Western – April 1, 2009, Rains Crossroad FWB Church

\* District presidents are ask to encourage district and local auxiliaries to contribute money to the Sunday School Ministry to sent FWB youth to Cragmont and Vandermere summer camp weeks this summer. They have received 55 requests for camp scholarships.

### Business Session

1. A motion was made by Carolyn Jernigan, seconded by Jackie Flowers and passed to table until our June executive meeting the selection of a name for the September woman's retreat.

2. Mrs. Little reported that she had not received the minutes and treasury information from the former youth chairman, Martha Parsons. If there is any money in the Youth Convention account these funds should be mailed to the Woman's Auxiliary Convention of OFWB as the sponsoring body of the Youth Convention. (Nadene Crocker, treasurer, reported that Youth Convention funds had been mailed to her.)

3. A motion was made by Jean Averette, seconded by Jane Parker, and passed to adopted the following resolution.

### RESOLUTION

Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Original Free Will Baptists

January 17, 2009

WHEREAS; Ruth Warrick, Ruth Moye Clark Taylor, Hilda Gray Batten Sasser, and Clara Smith Patrick gave untiringly of their talent, time, and support to the Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Original Free Will Baptists throughout their adult lives, and

WHEREAS; Ruth Warrick, Ruth Moye Clark Taylor, Hilda Gray Batten Sasser, and Clara Smith Patrick were examples of Christian commitment for the members of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Original Free Will Baptists, and

WHEREAS; Ruth Warrick, Ruth Moye Clark Taylor, Hilda Gray Batten Sasser, and Clara Smith Patrick served with dedication and self sacrifice for the Lord as officers in the Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Original Free Will Baptists,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January 2009 that the Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Original Free Will Baptists acknowledge with heartfelt gratitude the wonderful gifts and blessings which flowed from God through the lives of these women; Ruth Warrick, Ruth Moye Clark Taylor, Hilda Gray Batten Sasser, and Clara Smith Patrick; into this organization.

4. A motion was made by Becky Jo Sumner, seconded by Carolyn Jernigan, and passed to have Teresa Grubbs, corresponding secretary, write district woman's auxiliary presidents and print in the FWB a request for gifts of money to purchase grave markers



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for Mrs. Gertrude Ballard and Mrs. Auntie Peedin, past leaders of the Woman's Auxiliary. This request should include a brief explanation of their importance in the women's work. All gifts should be mailed to Nadene Crocker, treasurer, earmarked "grave marker".

5. A motion was made by Jean Averette, seconded by Carolyn Jernigan and passed to appoint the following people to the Youth Task Force.

Rotating Off:

Dianne Riley  
Buddy Sasser  
Martha Parson  
Sam Weeks

New Member:

Dianne Riley  
Angie Toler (Co Youth Chairman Eastern)  
Mary Allen (Co Youth Chairman Cape Fear)  
Hope MacPheason

Replacing:

Spencer Owens                      Matt Stocks

6. A motion was made by Carolyn Jernigan, seconded by Jackie Flowers, and passed to annually support the Youth Task Force with \$500.

7. A motion was made by Teresa Ball, seconded by Dianne Riley, and passed to relinquish to Cragmont Assembly our sponsorship and control of Youth Frontier Conference/Week (AFC/YFA) at Cragmont Assembly as of 2010. (This would be at the completion of Youth Frontier Week 2009.) Joan Little will write Cragmont about this decision and a copy of the letter will be mailed to The Reverend Frankie Baggett.

8. The president appointed Dianne Riley, chairperson; Jane Parker; and May Pittman to the Life Membership Committee for the 2009 Woman's Auxiliary Convention.

9. The president appointed Faye Bryant to set up the Woman's Auxiliary display at the Convention of OFWB in May 2009. Mrs. Little will contact Faye Bryant about this appointment.

10. The recording secretary was instructed to place job descriptions submitted to her in a special section in the secretary's book. These descriptions will be available as new people take office.

Jane T. Tripp gave the closing prayer and thanks for the meal. The meeting was adjourned.

President – Joan Little

Recording Secretary – Becky Jo Sumner

### Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Original Free Will Baptist Executive Call Meeting February 12, 2009

Joan Little, President, contacted all executive members by e-mail, phone, or letter to determine their vote on the following items.

**Item One:**

The Woman's Auxiliary has received a check in the amount of \$2,423.54 from Martha Parsons. This is the amount left in the Youth Convention account after all expenses were paid. It was recommended that these funds go to the Youth Task Force to assist in this work especially for the Youth Convention scheduled for May 2009. This item was voted upon and passed.

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### Item Two:

At our January 2009 executive meeting we appointed Mary Allen to the Youth Task Force thinking she was the Co Youth Chairperson in the Cape Fear. We have been informed that beginning in April 2009 the position of Co Youth Chairperson in the Cape Fear will be held by Wanda Benson. It was recommended that the executive committee change our appointment to the Youth Task Force to Wanda Benson. This item was voted upon and passed.

Two correspondences related to this matter are located in the Woman's Auxiliary book of minutes.

Joan Little, President

Becky Jo Sumner, Recording Secretary

### Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Original Free Will Baptists May 14, 2009

The eighty-second session of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Original Free Will Baptists met on May 14, 2009 at Robert's Grove Original Free Will Baptist Church, Dunn, North Carolina, hosted by the Cape Fear Woman's Auxiliary Convention. A copy of the convention program is in the secretary's book. The first message, "Jesus Says Forgive", was brought by Betty Strickland. Mrs. Strickland used scripture from Matthew 18 to remind us that we show Jesus as the Lord of our lives by forgiving others as Christ forgives us. The welcome by Jane Parker, President of the Cape Fear Woman's Auxiliary Convention, was based on gardening. She spoke of planting a good day. At lunch each person in attendance received a packet of seeds which would be an object lesson in "Tangible Faith" the convention theme. The response by Jo Ann Parrish was an original song of appreciation for the effort put into the day.

President Little called the convention to order. She spoke on "We Are Faith in Action." She then recognized the following:

- The delegates to the Convention.
- Free Will Baptist Ministers: The Rev. Lewis Godwin, The Rev. John Hill, The Rev. Sam Weeks, The Rev. Mike Scott, The Rev. Harold Swinson, The Rev. Francis Garner, The Rev. Aubrey Williamson, The Rev. Fred Baker, The Rev. Ricky Warren, The Rev. Ed Gonzalez, Dr. W. Burkette Raper, The Rev. Jeff Daughtry, The Rev. Lewis Forsythe, The Rev. Harold Jones, The Rev. David Charles Hansley, The Rev. Buddy Sasser and The Rev. Ronnie Taylor.
- Woman's Auxiliary Convention Officers: Joan Little, President; Jean Averette, Vice President; Becky Jo Sumner, Recording Secretary; Teresa Grubbs, Corresponding Secretary; Nadine Crocker, Treasurer and Life Membership; Teresa Ball, Missions Chairperson; Carolyn Jernigan, Study Course Chairperson; Dianne Riley, Program Prayer Chairperson; Jackie Flowers, Benevolence Chairperson and Jean Ackiss, Field Secretary.

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- District Woman's Auxiliary Presidents: Albemarle, Becky Jo Sumner; Cape Fear, Jane Parker; Central, May Pittman; Eastern, Wanda Costner and Pee Dee, Edith McPherson.
- Auxiliaries that achieved the A-1 Standard of Achievement: Beaverdam, Deep Run, Folkstone, Hopewell, Piney Grove (Western Conference), Robert's Grove, Shady Grove, Spring Hill, Smith's New Home, Westside, Wilson First and Yelverton Grove.

The recording secretary gave the first reading of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention constitutional changes. A motion was made by Carolyn Jernigan, seconded by Shirley Forsythe, and passed to lay the proposed changes on the table.

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Recommended Constitutional Changes

### Constitution:

Article III. Officers and Executive Committee

**Youth Coordinator** will replace youth auxiliary chairman

### By Laws:

Article I. Duties of Officers

Section 1. President

Add **"or send a proxy"** after the phrase "represent the convention"

Section 4. Corresponding Secretary

**Delete** "thereby acquainting herself with all records and work of this office"

Section 5. Treasurer

Replace "pay out same only" with **"distribute funds"** and replace "paid out" with **"distributed"**

Section 8. Youth Coordinator

**Delete** "She shall oversee Youth Frontier Conference AFC/YFA at Cragmont Assembly by serving as camp director or suggesting a camp director to be appointed by the Woman's Auxiliary Executive Committee."

Section 10. Program Prayer Chairperson

Replace "state" with **"convention"**

Article IV. Expenses

Replace each use of "state" with **"convention"**

Article V. Standing Committees

**Delete** Youth Committee

**Change numbering of all sections from this point so they are numbered in numeric order.**

**Section 2.** Change "Cragmont Stockholders Committee" to **"Cragmont Board Representatives"** and "in the stockholder's" to **"at the Cragmont Board"**

**Section 3.** Life Membership Award Committee

Replace "It shall be the duty of this committee to distribute Life Awards and certificates as designated by the executive committee." with **"The president will appoint a three member committee to select the recipient of the Life Membership Award. It shall be their duty to present the award annually at the Woman's Auxiliary Convention."**

**Section 4.** Literature Committee

Add **"or selection"** after the phrase "to supervise the preparation"

**Section 5.** Christian Education Committee

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Add at the end of the paragraph **"The Christian Education Committee will meet annually.**

President Little appointed the following committees:

- Finance Committee: Nadine Crocker, Chairperson; Faye Adams and Nancy Hardee.
- Registration and Credentials Committee: Jean Averette, Chairperson; Faye Allen; Linda Baker; Susan Faircloth and Nadine Crocker.
- Resolutions Committee: Happy Taylor, Chairperson; Carol Pittman and Fran Overton.

In the Memorial Service Miriam Lamm used the theme of a lighthouse and the harbor lights or lower lights. She reminded us of the "life lights" of the women we were remembering. These women were often the lights or channel markers that guided us along the dangerous shores of our lives. She especially drew our attention to the dedicated lives of Ruth Lancaster Warrick and Ruth Moye Clark Taylor.

The convention ushers were Betty Wilson, Betty West, Carolyn Jernigan, and Rose Johnson. This is a correction from the names listed in the program.

The message, "Jesus Says Be a Light," in session two was presented by Jennifer Gudac. Her challenge was that the world must see the light of Christ in us if there is to be any hope of sparking that Light in it.

Angela Warren used Romans 10 as the basis for the third message, "Jesus Says Serve." She taught us the heart is the key and our service must be built upon joy in the serving. Hearts desiring to please Christ take up service for Him. She warned that the Woman's Auxiliary is in a crisis. We do not have new women looking to serve. Could the problem be that we who have served so long have lost our joy in the service of the King? Therefore, others do not see our joy in service and do not want to serve.

The second reading of the proposed constitutional changes was made.

The following reports were given:

- The Rev. John Hill reported from the Youth Task Force.\* The Youth Convention will be May 15-19 at Mount Olive College. There are over 400 registered. The complete report is located in the secretary's book.
- Lorraine Garner reported for Camp Vandemere.
- The Anna Philips Student Aid Fund Report was given by Jean Ackiss.\*
- May Pittman reported on the Woman's Retreats at Cragmont. It had been decided to refer to these meetings as retreats rather than conferences.
- The Finance Committee report was given by Nadine Crocker.\* A motion was made by Margaret May, seconded by Jane Tripp and passed to accept this report.
- Life Membership information was given by Nadine Crocker.\*
- Nadine Crocker gave the treasurer's report.\* A motion was made by Faye Adams, seconded by Jean Averette, and passed to accept this report.



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- Susan Faircloth gave the Registration and Credentials Committee Report for information.\* The total number registered was 208.
- The Resolutions Committee report was given by Happy Taylor.\* The resolutions included:
  - \*To encourage all auxiliaries to put their faith into action and work for the Lord with enthusiasm.
  - \*To pray for the leaders of all nations and the military throughout the world.
  - \*To ask for God's guidance in the economic crisis of our country.
  - \*To express appreciation to Dr. William J. Byrd and Dr. Burkette Raper for lives of service to God and to the Original Free Will Baptist Church.
  - \*To express appreciation to Robert's Grove for hosting this 82<sup>nd</sup> annual session of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention.

A motion was made by Sara Parker, seconded by Sharlene Howell, and passed to accept this report. A rising vote of thanks was given to the Robert's Grove OFWB Church.

- The Nominating Committee report was given by Jane Parker, chairperson. It included the following:
  - Christian Education Committee – Deborah King (Term: May 2009-2012)
  - Cragmont Board Representative – Eva Edwards (Term: May 2009-2012)
  - Literature Committee – Sharlene Howell (Term May 2009-2014)
  - Youth Coordinator – Angela Warren (Term May 2009-2010)

A motion was made by Jane Parker, seconded by Jean Ackiss, and passed to elect this slate of officers.

The third reading of the constitutional changes was made. A motion was made by Faye Bryant, seconded by Teresa Grubbs, and passed to remove the constitutional changes from the table. A motion was made by Shirley Forsythe, seconded by Faye Allen and passed to adopt these changes in the constitution.

May Pittman presented the Life Membership Award to Jackie Flowers for her years of faithful service to the Woman's Auxiliary.\*

The denominational ministries gave their reports. Each ministry representative brought a person to present some facet of the ministry. Cliff Gray asked the compiling editor of the Woman's Auxiliary Devotion to be the Free Will Baptist Press "person". Cynthia Batten from the Children's Home brought a photograph of a graduating senior from the Home. Mary Dudley brought Gail Heath, her new assistant, as the Sunday School's "person". Cragmont Assembly was represented by their "person", Jean Ackiss, who had been attending Woman's Retreats since 1965. Dr. William Byrd from Mount Olive College brought Hope McPherson who is graduating from MOC and becoming a new employee of the college. Harold Jones introduced former missionaries, short term missionary team members, Sandra (his partner in the Lord's work) and everyone who supported the Foreign Mission program. David Hansley used Laura Monroe, the new administrative coordinator for Home Missions and Evangelism. Retirement Homes director, Ronnie Taylor, introduced one of the ministry's clients, Claudine Wood, who spoke of the help the ministry had given her. Buddy Sasser gave the report from the Convention of OFWB.



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President Little adjourned the convention with Judges 18:6, "...Go in peace: before the Lord is your way wherein ye go."

Joan Little, President  
Becky Jo Sumner, Recording Secretary

Report To  
**Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Original Free Will Baptists**  
May 14, 2009  
Cape Fear Conference, Host  
Robert's Grove OFWB Church  
Dunn, North Carolina

### *Compilation of Woman's Auxiliary District Reports.*

Districts reporting – 6  
Number of local auxiliaries reporting – 110  
Enrollment – 2111  
Average Attendance – 1526  
Life Membership Awarded - 38  
Cottage Prayer Meetings - 74  
Rest Home Services – 193  
Articles written for publication - 48

### STUDY COURSES

Missions – 29 with 396 in attendance  
Auxiliary Manual – 4 with 43 in attendance  
Prayer – 20 with 175 in attendance  
Stewardship – 15 with 213 in attendance  
Evangelism – 23 with 302 in attendance  
Other – 3 with 227 in attendance  
Total – 94 with 1356 in attendance

Auxiliaries using **DEVOTION** – 100  
Weeks of Prayer – 185  
Auxiliaries divided into Circles – 11      Total Circles – 26  
Using the Standard of Achievement Chart – 27  
North Carolina Prayer Band members – 79

### YOUTH

39 Cherub Organizations with 340 members  
44 AFC Organizations with 468 members  
51 YFA Organizations with 509 members  
6 other organizations with 69 members

Competition Participation

Performing Talent – 81	Christian Writing –
Arts and Crafts – 21	Lesson Presentation – 8
Public Speaking – 1	Bible Bowl – 10

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Youth helped to go to Cragmont Youth Conference – 255

Boy/Girl Scout groups – 11 Scout leaders or assistants - 12

Woman's Auxiliary Convention

Of Original Free Will Baptist

A-1 Auxiliaries

May 14, 2009

**Cape Fear:** Hopewell, Shady Grove, Yelverton Grove, Robert's Grove

**Central:** Little Creek, Marlboro

**Eastern:** Deep Run, Folkstone, Smith's New Home, Westside

**Pee Dee:** Beaverdam

**Western:** Spring Hill, Piney Grove, Wilson First

### Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Original Free Will Baptists

#### Executive Committee Meeting

June 6, 2009

(Complete reports are located in the secretary's book of minutes.)

The executive committee of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention of OFWB met on June 6, 2009 in the Waylin Center located at Mount Olive College, Mount Olive, North Carolina with the following present: Joan Little, President; Jean Averette, Vice President; Dianne Riley, Program Prayer; Jane Tripp, Literature; Jean Ackiss, Field Secretary; Carolyn Jernigan, Study Course; Jackie Flowers, Benevolence; Teresa Grubbs, Corresponding Secretary; May Pittman, Cragmont Retreat Director and President Central Woman's Auxiliary; Jane Parker, President Cape Fear Woman's Auxiliary; The Reverend John Hill, Youth Task Force; Nadine Crocker, Treasurer and Life Membership; Velma Morris, Cragmont Board Representative; and Becky Jo Sumner, Recording Secretary and President Albemarle Woman's Auxiliary.

President Little welcomed everyone to the meeting and shared a devotion based on Micah 7:5-7. She reminded us as we face the threats of today we must learn to wait on the Lord. In Scripture "waiting" is not bad but important so we must learn to "just wait on our God." The opening prayer was given by Teresa Grubbs.

A motion was made by Teresa Ball, seconded by Carolyn Jernigan and passed to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve them as written. The treasurer's report was given with the following information shared:

- No life awards had been presented since May.
- Income: \$4,238.97
- Expenses: \$2,724.90
- Balance: \$1,514.07

A motion was made by Jean Averette, seconded by Jane Parker and passed to accept the treasurer's report as given.

The following reports were given as information:

Corresponding Secretary, Teresa Grubbs, reported:

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- Letter written in regard to grave makers for Mrs. Ballard and Mrs. Peedin. This letter was not sent due to questions about the markers.
- Letter mailed to John Williams with copy to Frankie Baggett informing them that the Woman's Auxiliary was relinquishing sponsorship and control of Youth Frontier Conference/week to Cragmont Assembly as of 2010.
- Letter mailed inviting the Paul Palmer Conference Woman's Auxiliaries to attend the Woman's Auxiliary Convention in May.
- Mailed articles to the FWB Press about the Woman's Auxiliary Convention.

Christian Education Committee Chairperson, Deborah King, had a prior commitment and was unable to attend. She requested the dates for future meetings and this information was provided by the recording secretary.

Missions Chairperson, Teresa Ball, reported:

- The need for funding (\$250,000) to start a building in Bulgaria.
- A new Hispanic Mission group has been started at Morehead.
- The Hispanic group at Elm Grove continues to do well.

Youth Task Force, John Hill, reported:

- Information on the Youth Workers Summit 2008, Annual Youth Convention 2009, Youth Workers Summit 2009, and educational opportunities for youth workers.
- The financial report gave an ending balance of \$1,662.34.
- The task force is working on Phase Two goals.
- The realization that an avenue whereby OFWB youth can serve the ministries of the church needs to be developed and that our youth need a better understanding of what it means to be an OFWB.

Study Course Chairperson, Carolyn Jernigan, reported on speakers available for studies.

Cragmont Board Representative, Velma Morris, reported:

- Finances are doing well at Cragmont even in this poor economy.
- The new women's retreat in September was a success.
- Information on Christmas at Cragmont. People are invited to spend all or part of Christmas week (2009) at Cragmont. A Christmas meal and a Christmas worship service will be provided. Rooms will be provided at no cost and a donation will be received for meals.

Cragmont Woman's Retreats, May Pittman, reported:

- The speakers for Cornerstone will be Mary Dudley and Gail Heath.

Benevolence Chairperson, Jackie Flowers, reported:

- Represented the Woman's Auxiliary at the Church Finance Association meeting.
- Mailed information to collectors of Christian literature.
- Reminder of paper and cleaning products drive for the Children's Home.

Field Secretary, Jean Ackiss, reported:

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- Taught study courses on the Manual of Methods.
- Contacted Jean Brown, East Rockingham Woman's Auxiliary, about Piedmont Woman's Auxiliary.
- Contacted the Pine Level Woman's Auxiliary, and the Warsaw Woman's Auxiliary to offer assistance.

Literature Committee, Jane Tripp, reported:

- The Manual of Methods is available at the Free Will Baptist Press.

Vice President, Jean Averette, reported on registration for the 2009 Woman's Auxiliary Convention:

- Letters to Cape Fear Woman's Auxiliary and Robert's Grove Woman's Auxiliary concerning the 2009 Convention.
- Prepared new sign for registration and changed "visitors" to "Auxiliary Members" on registration forms.

Compiling Editor of Devotion, Becky Jo Sumner, reported:

- Devotion 2010, "Facing the Day with Wisdom", was delivered to the FWB Press in April.
- The theme for Devotion 2011 will be "Journey to Bethany".
- The first Devotion was prepared in 1962.
- Need to promote/advertise Devotion. Dianne and Becky Jo will work to promote the program book.

Program Prayer Chairperson, Dianne Riley, reported:

- Fifty-five people participated in the 2009 convention program.
- Plans for a more prayer centered program at the 2010 convention.
- Rita Jones will be the convention photographer in 2010.
- Jean Averette will provide a place to display A-1 charts at the 2010 convention. In her correspondence with the host auxiliary she will encourage them to use the Woman's Auxiliary colors.
- Informed the executive committee of the need for tablecloths to be used at the convention. The purchase of the tablecloths will be discussed at the January meeting.
- Dianne will provide clip boards for use at the convention.
- Provided a copy of the song written by Jo Ann Parrish which was used as the response at the 2009 convention.
- Provided a copy of the Life Membership Award presentation to Jackie Flowers.

## Unfinished Business

- Motion was made by Jean Ackiss, seconded by Jackie Flowers and passed to use money from our treasury to have Mrs. Gertrude Ballard's death date (4/26/94) engraved on her tombstone which is located at Greenwood Cemetery by McLamb Monument Company at a cost of \$180. Dianne will contact McLamb's and will use Stearle and May Pittman as contact persons for locating the grave.



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- Joan will contact Gary Barefoot for information concerning the location of Mrs. Thomas Peedin's grave site. This will be discussed at our January meeting.
- Motion was made by Becky Jo Sumner, seconded by Jean Ackiss and passed to name the September Woman's Retreat "Emmanuel" (God with us). This title is based on Matthew 1:23.
- Motion was made by Becky Jo Sumner, seconded by Jean Ackiss and passed to use the following spellings for "Dayspring" (Job 38:12, Luke 1:78) and "Cornerstone" (Job 38:6, Isaiah 28:16, Ephesians 2:20, I Peter 2:6) retreats.
- The following were appointed to the Youth Task Force: Todd Sutton to replace Spencer Owens, Joey Williams to replace Buddy Sasser, Wanda Benson to replace Martha Parsons.

### New Business

- At our January meeting Joan will report on the location of the Youth Convention Sound Equipment and get a list of items included in this equipment.
- Motion was made by Jackie Flowers, seconded by Nadine Crocker and passed that the Woman's Auxiliary endorses the use of the King James Version of the Bible throughout our Convention (including the Youth convention).
- President Little appointed district woman's auxiliary presidents to serve on the nominating committee through the 2011 convention. Becky Jo Sumner, Albemarle President, will serve as chairperson.
- Need a volunteer to prepare displays for Woman's Auxiliary Convention, Convention of OFWB, and Youth Convention in 2010. This was tabled until the January meeting.
- Tabled until the January meeting was a discussion on the Fall District Woman's Auxiliary Conventions being for business and the Spring Conventions as a time of spiritual renewal.
- Committee members were asked to discuss with mothers of young children if child care needs to be available during the Woman's Auxiliary Convention. If it appears child care is needed, Jean Averette could include this need in her letter to the host church.
- The May 13, 2010 Woman's Auxiliary Convention will be hosted by the Central Woman's Auxiliary.
- The Literature Committee was asked to examine Woman's Auxiliary record books that have been on sale at the FWB Press for a number of years. The committee needs to determine the best way to make this record keeping information available to local auxiliaries. One suggestion was to incorporate the material from the record books in the new manual. The Committee also needs to address these corrections needed in the Manual of Methods: (1) Include where to order Life Membership pins and (2) Add that the A-1 Standard runs the calendar year (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31). The pages containing this information need to be reprinted and made available to auxiliary members.
- The January Executive Committee meeting will be held at the Waylin Center, Mount Olive College. Lunch will be ordered from a local eatery. Joan, Dianne, and Jean Ackiss will be in charge of lunch arrangements. Snacks will be provided by the following: Jackie - sweet and salty items, Jean Ackiss - beverages, Dianne - snack items, Jean Averette - chocolate, May Pittman - food item.



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- Dates for the Fall District Conventions are: Albemarle – 10/3/09 at Trinity; Cape Fear – 10/3/09 at Riverside; Central – 9/26/09 at Greenville; Eastern – 9/19/09 at Juniper Chapel; Western – 10/7/09 at Pleasant Grove.

After prayer requests were given, Jane Tripp offered the closing prayer.

Joan Little, President  
Becky Jo Sumner, Recording Secretary

### General Funds Report For Year Beginning May 1, 2008 and Ending April 30, 2009

Balance Brought Forward May 1, 2008 2,160.86

#### Receipts

##### General Fund

Registrations	2,360.00	
Per Cap Dues	246.70	
Woman's Auxiliary Pins	1,065.00	
Life Award Fees	505.00	
Spec. offering for General Fund	330.00	
Youth Expense	262.72	
FWB Press for Capital Campaign	150.00	
State Youth Convention	2,423.54	
Press for Devotion	400.00	
Carolina Bible Institute	25.00	
State Youth Project	25.00	7,792.96

Denominational Ministries 35,314.99

Total Receipts 43,107.95

Total for which to account 45,268.81

#### Disbursements

Convention Expenses and Allocations	4,367.41
State Youth Task Force	2,160.82
FWB Press for Capital Campaign	150.00
Angie Craft for Youth Expenses	262.72
Becky Jo Sumner for Devotion	400.00
Carolina Bible Institute	25.00

Denominational Ministries 35,314.99

Total Disbursed 42,680.94

Balance for which to account 2,587.87

First Citizens Bank and Trust Co., Inc. 2,587.87

Nadine Crocker, Treasurer

# Woman's Auxiliary Convention

## **Denominational Ministries Report** **For Year Beginning May 1, 2008 and Ending April 30, 2009**

	Itemized	Received	Disbursed
Home Missions			
General Fund (project)	4,300.94		
Sowers Club	133.21		
Disaster Relief	607.00		
Harvest Connection	25.00	5,066.15	5,066.15
Foreign Missions			
General Fund (project)	4,914.04		
Mexican Mission	815.00		
European Mission	455.00		
Telethon	415.00		
Bridge Builder	100.00	6,699.04	6,699.04
Mount Olive College			
Raper Bldg. (project)	1,945.04		
General Fund	1,355.72		
Anna Phillips Student Loan	175.00	3,476.49	3,476.49
FWB Children's Home			
General Fund (project)	5,839.50		
Friends of Children	630.00		
Child's Christmas	1,062.50		
Food	500.00	8,032.00	8,032.00
Cragmont		2,472.40	2,472.40
Ministers Program		1,710.45	1,710.45
Retirement Homes		1,737.95	1,737.95
Sunday School Ministry		1,215.44	1,215.44
Life Awards---Cragmont		480.00	480.00
Christian Service Fund			
Home Missions	442.50		
Foreign Missions	442.50		
Mount Olive College	885.00		
Children's Home	663.77		
Cragmont	663.75		
Ministers Program	442.52		
Retirement Homes	442.52		
Sunday School Ministry	442.51	4,425.07	4,425.07
Total Denominational Ministries for Year		35,314.99	35,314.99

Nadine Crocker, Treasurer

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